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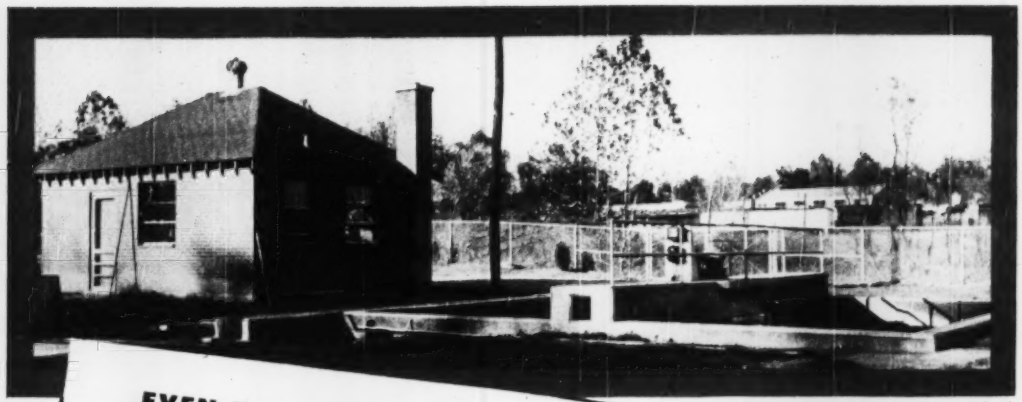

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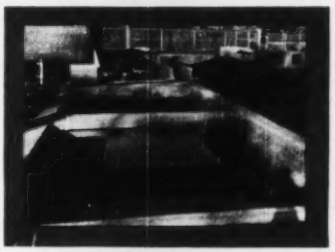

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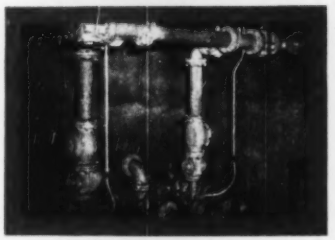

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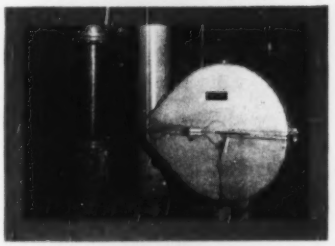

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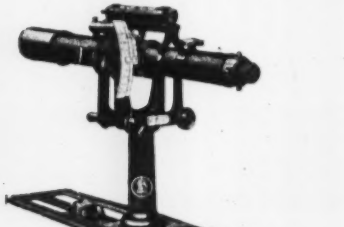

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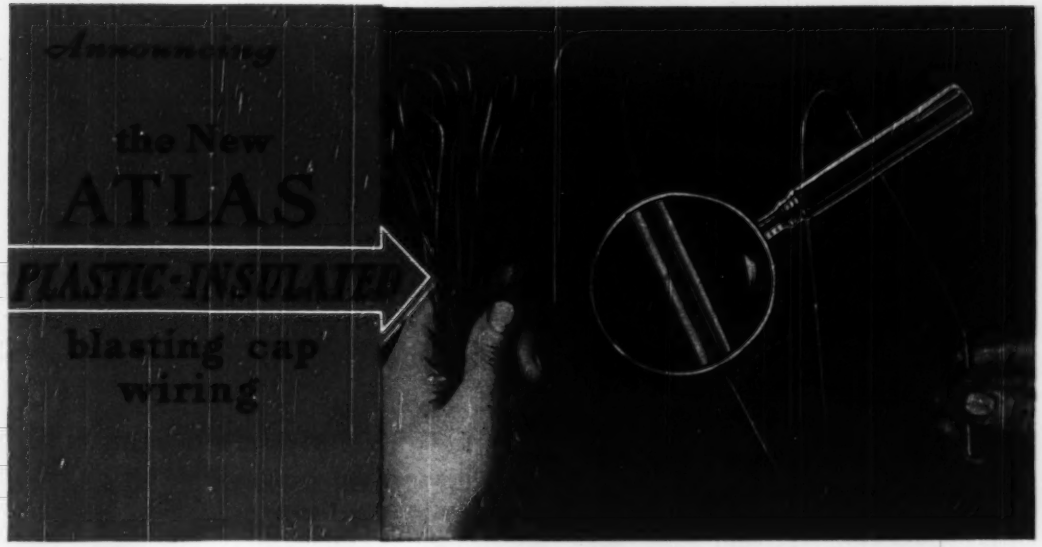

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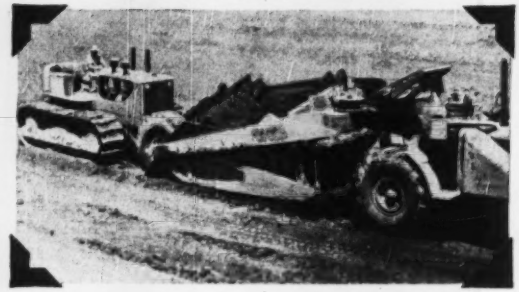

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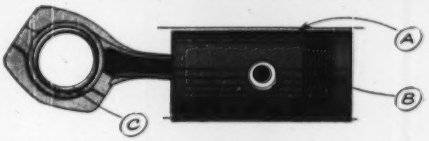

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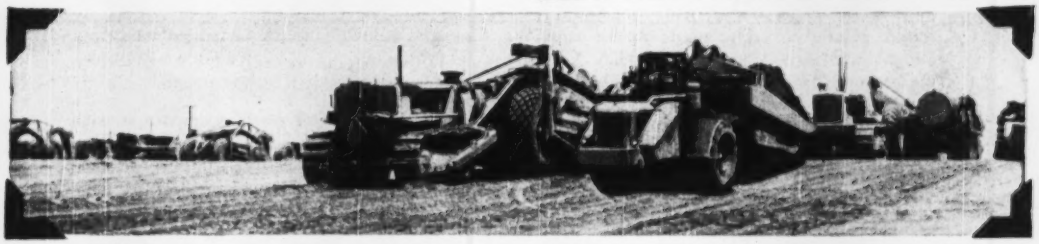

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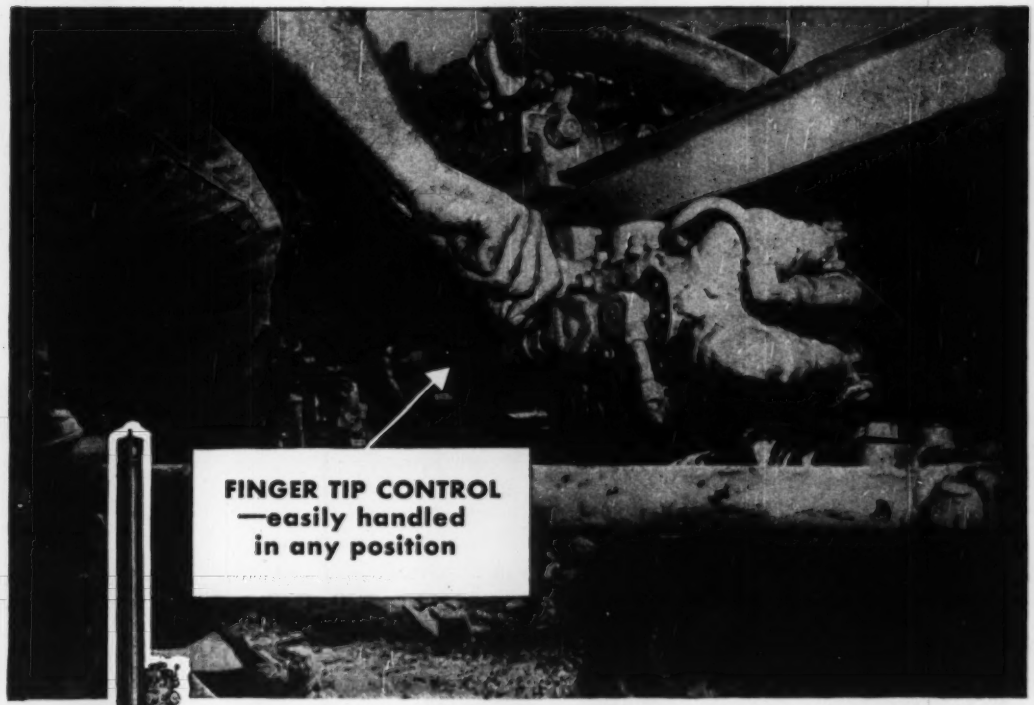

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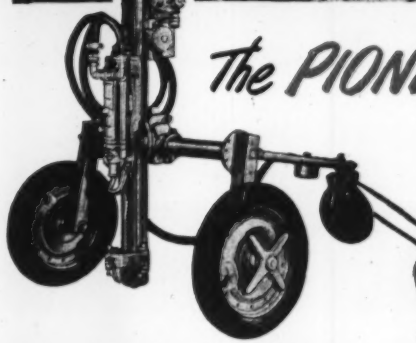

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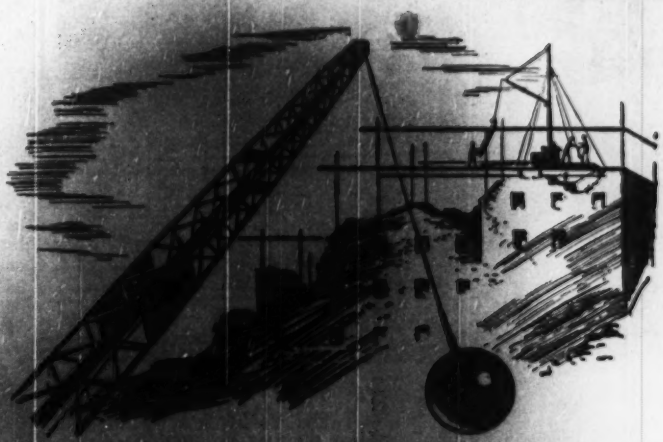

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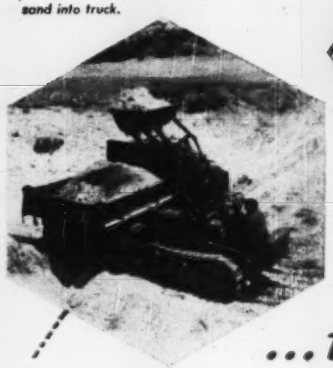

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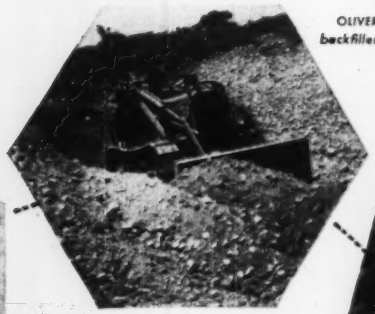

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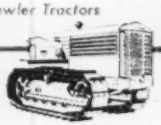

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Quick Water Supply—Ohio's Mahoning Valley Sanitary District will virtually double its water supply if the court approves an agreement it has reached with the federal government. The plan calls for use of the Berlin reservoir as an auxiliary supply for Youngstown and Niles. The court must approve a plan whereunder the district will build a large diameter pipeline to lift water from Berlin over a divide and into Meander Lake. Cost is expected to run to about $5,000,000.

Is It or Isn't It?—Engineering and economic feasibility of the proposed Fallbrook Dam, in northern San Diego (Cal.) County, will be determined this year, according to Reclamation Commissioner Michael Straus. The structure would impound 200,000 acre-ft of water and would serve the Fallbrook area and Camp Pendleton. Financing would be 75 percent federal, through the Navy (65 percent) and California's federal flood control allocation (10 percent). The Fallbrook Public Utility District would pay the remainder.

The Personal Touch—North Carolina's Gov. Kerr Scott has launched a series of meeting designed to stimulate interest of State Highway Department employes in his road program. From 10 to 15 meetings are planned.

Correction—Dam 1 on the Ohio River is 4.7 mi below Pittsburgh, not 417 mi, as reported on page 34, ENR March 23.

Bomber's Delight—Brig. Gen. Ralph Cowgill, engineer for the Oregon Military Department, objects to Highway Department plans for a bridge across the Willamette River at Salem paralleling and one block away from one now in use. He says an enemy could knock out both structures with one conventional type bomb, and adds that the Pacific Northwest is potentially too much of a front line territory to take unnecessary military risks.

Cities in Peril—Ribbon slums are being created along main highways by the development of sub-standard housing along them. And cities are facing residential decentralization and a federal centralization of control and taxation, according to Ralph T. Walker, president of the American Institute of Architects. He said the decentralization faces cities with increased costs, without proper use of existing facil-

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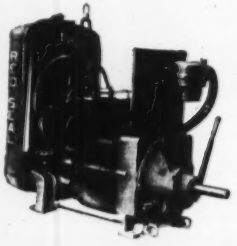

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ities. That drives cities to Washington for financial aid, he added. As one solution, he suggested establishment of shopping centers and parking areas within cities rather than beyond them or on their edges.

Ontario's Largest—A special appropriation of $150 million—to be used over five years—will be asked of the Ontario legislature this year according to Highway Minister George Doucet. It would finance the largest program of its kind ever contemplated in the province. If granted, these funds would be in addition to the regular annual upkeep and expansion expenditures which now total about $75,000,000.

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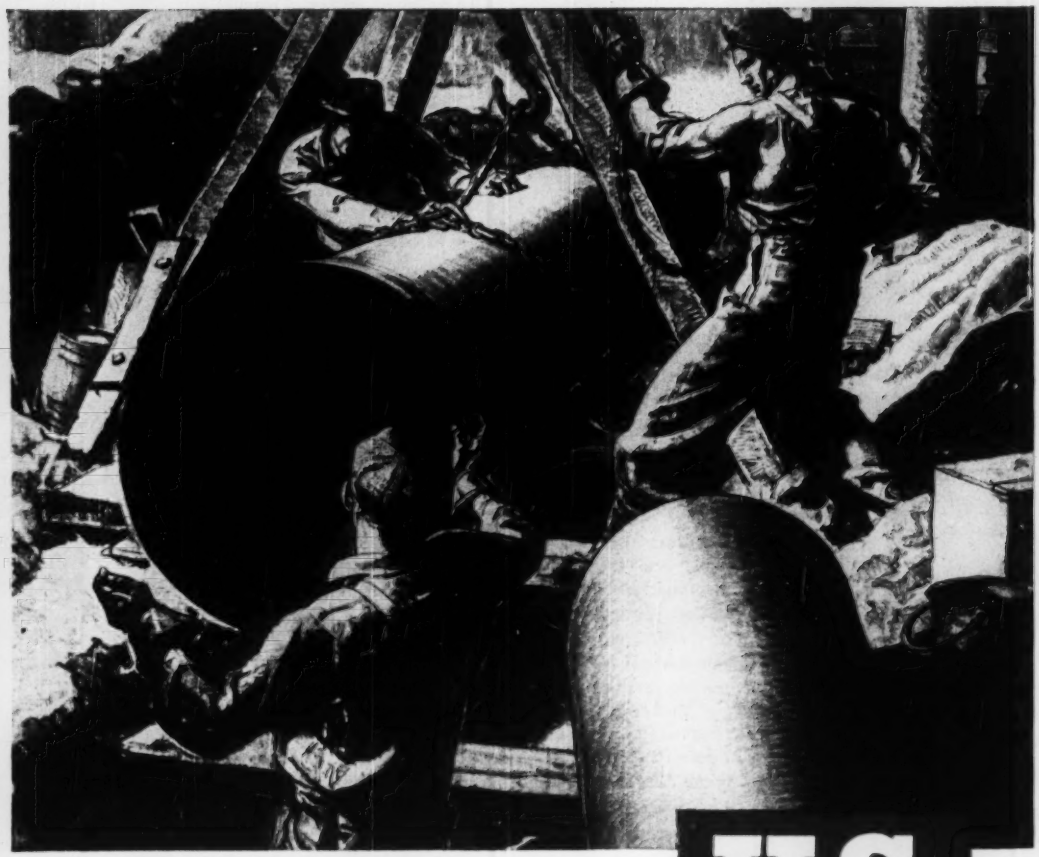

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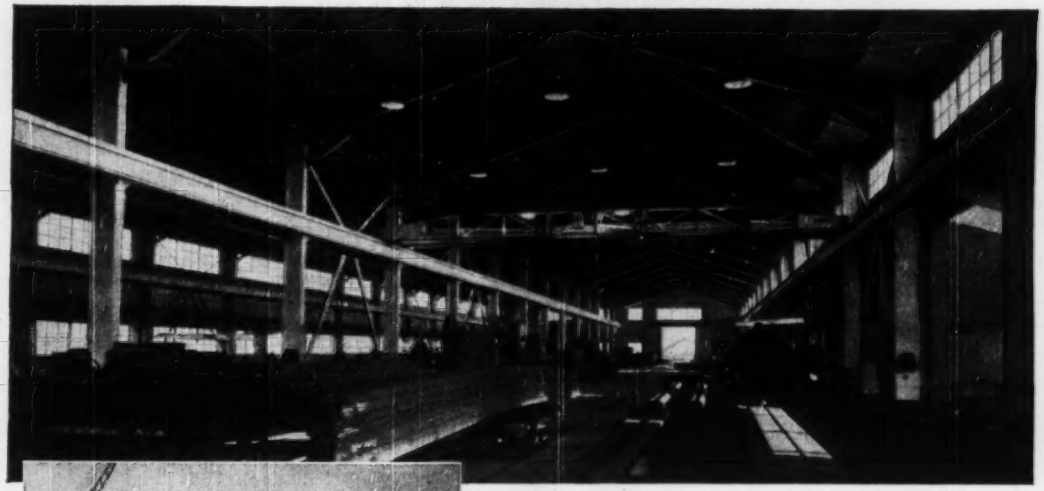

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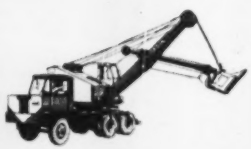

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THE CONSTRUCTION WEEK

WHO'S GOT THE UNDERSECRETARY?—Both AFL and CIO apparently are taking a hand in the contest over who is to become Under Secretary of the Interior. Assistant Secretary C. Girard Davidson got powerful support last week from AFL's President William Green. He wrote President Truman and Secretary Oscar Chapman urging Davidson's appointment, citing Davidson's record on public works programs. Meanwhile, Washington insiders still think that Assistant Secretary John W. Gibson is leading the race for the post. Gibson is former president of the Michigan CIO.

IT'S PROBABLY THE COLOR—Two German engineers have come up with a road surfacing product which they say will soon make "ice-clad highways a thing of the past." The product is a mixture of cement, residue from coal-mine dumps, and a secret chemical. They selected the mine waste because they noted that snow does not remain on the dumps at coal mines. Their surfacing material is said to be stronger than concrete, yet porous, so that rain falling on the surface is absorbed instead of freezing. Knowing how much quicker ice thaws on a black-top pavement, we suspect that the secret chemical is less important in reducing ice formation than is the dark mine waste. What happens when the water absorbed by this porous material freezes is not said.

MORE SCHOOL BUILDING?- 'Vhat may come out of the continuing wrangle over federal aid to education may be a compromise that will mean a great deal to construction. Some observers think an acceptable solution would be some federal plan to sponsor a vast school construction program, through a system of construction grants and loans to the states.

HOUSING FIGHT IS LOCAL—The opposition to public housing is being concentrated on the local level—in the city council chambers. Thus far, five cities—South Bend, Lincoln, Neb., Pasco, Wash., San Jose, Calif., and Tucson—have voted against making use of the federal housing subsidy. But the turndowns don't mean anything on the large picture. Some 400 cities have already moved to get their share. That fact, plus the availability of federal funds, will keep the program going.

HOW'S BUSINESS AGAIN?—Always with an eye on November, a time at which the administration wants the general business level to be feeling no pain, government seers are recasting the business outlook for President Truman. He'll get an optimistic report this time. Washington thinks the coal strike did no permanent harm. It believes later quarters will see first quarter losses recouped. But government men still can't quite believe that the second half will be all clear sailing. They note continuing rise in unemployment traceable to a labor force growing faster than job opportunities —as opposed to strike, seasonal or slump layoffs. And they think steel, auto, building material and home prices are still too high for any long pull, thus face readjustment downward.

PRICE HEARINGS-PRICE FIXING—Wyoming's Senator O'Mahoney is pushing federal regulation of steel prices. The majority on his Joint Economic Committee recommends that steel makers be required to file price boosts with the Federal Trade Commission. At the moment, that would give FTC no more than the right to hold public hearings—(whose headlines sometimes can be very persuasive). But it isn't far from such hearings to outright federal price fixing. This concept, incidentally, fits Washington's growing philosophy that the great big, integrated companies, tops in their industries, should either be broken up or, if that's impractical, then regulated federally.

MILITARY BUILDING CURTAILED—Defense Department has pared its public (not civil) works program for the current fiscal year. It had been planned for $430 million, but it'll be held to "bare essentials" which will cost only $299 million. The economizing hit about 250 small projects—such things as sprinkler systems, air station power plants, etc. The bare bones program which will go ahead will have as its major item $164 million for housing and related work at Okinawa and Alaska. There's $50,000,000 for the radar net, that much more for miscellaneous projects. The Air Engineering Development Center, at Tullahoma, Tenn., is down for $30,000,000, and the long range guided missile proving ground at Banana River, Fla., will get $5,000,000. Comparable program for the fiscal year opening next July 1 also is to be held to $300 million.

PLANT DISPERSAL AGREEMENT—The military, incidentally, has made up its mind on plant dispersal. It's not advocating that entire industries be moved inland. But it does want any new plants dispersed within an area. That might very well mean spotting buildings around a circle of five miles diameter, preferably among hills.

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CONSTRUCTION TRENDS

COMPETITION'S TOUGHER

Competition as fierce as the industry knew in the mid-30's is coming back (ENR March 9, p. 18).

Comments of members reported in the annual survey of the Associated General Contractors show how contractors are feeling the pressure of competition.

Contractors reported lettings on which 30 and more bidders took part. Reports from every section of the country described the competition as ranging from "stimulating" to "fierce," "hellish," and "dangerous." Some contractors reported it to be tougher than they had known in their experience.

With tougher competition has come a continuing increase in worker productivity. More than 90 percent of those surveyed reported increasingly better performance by labor. Productivity is difficult to measure, but at least one contractor reported it at its post-war high.

At the same time, overall efficiency of contractors' organization is up. Contractors are pushing hard to cut down overhead costs and eliminate unnecessary jobs. The survey revealed a marked trend toward smaller profit margins—and this, too, is sparking competition. Contractors in all sections were reported to be figuring bids more closely in trying to keep their equipment and organizations fully occupied.

All this has had an impact on costs. Overall, half of the contractors reported costs stabilized. Some 42% said they were still trending down. Slightly more than 4% reported them unchanged. A little less than 3% believed they would go up slightly.

Contractors reported that building costs—for industrial, commercial, and such large projects—were largely stabilized at a point about 8.5% below their peak. Costs of highway and airport construction averaged 12.8% below their peak with the decline continuing in many areas. Heavy construction costs—railroads, bridges, dams, waterworks—were down about 10%.

On the average, costs were reported 9.9% below their postwar peak. But builders' comments showed that reductions in costs varied widely. A group of Southwest contractors reported overall highway costs down 23% from their late 1947 peak. A Southwest highway-railroad contractor reported that grading costs were down to less than 50% of their postwar peak, concrete structure down 30%, paving down 15%—and the general trend was still downward.

FAILURES RISING

Business failures are on the rise again—but they are still well below what was considered normal before the war.

Last year, according to Dun and Bradstreet, the number of failures in construction was almost double the 1948 record—838 against 439. That compares with 646 in 1939.

Since 1949, however, the number of contractors of all kinds has climbed something like 60%. The increase in failures is only 30%. So the 1949 figure is still favorable by prewar standards.

No one knows exactly how many contractors are operating in all kinds of construction. ENGINEERING NEWS-RECORD's figures on the number of contractors engaged in engineering construction will be reported next week, in the annual review and forecast issue.

The United States Department of Commerce estimates that at the end of 1949 there were 321,000 contractors—and the number is still expanding. This, of course, includes the thousands of small operators, each of whom may build only a few homes during the year. Commerce also found that construction was the field which had grown fastest of all kinds of business since 1939. Then, there were only about 200,000 contractors.

The Associated General Contractors, reported to include the contractors, most of them large, who do 80% of all construction work, has seen its membership swell from 2,300 in 1939 to about 5,500 today.

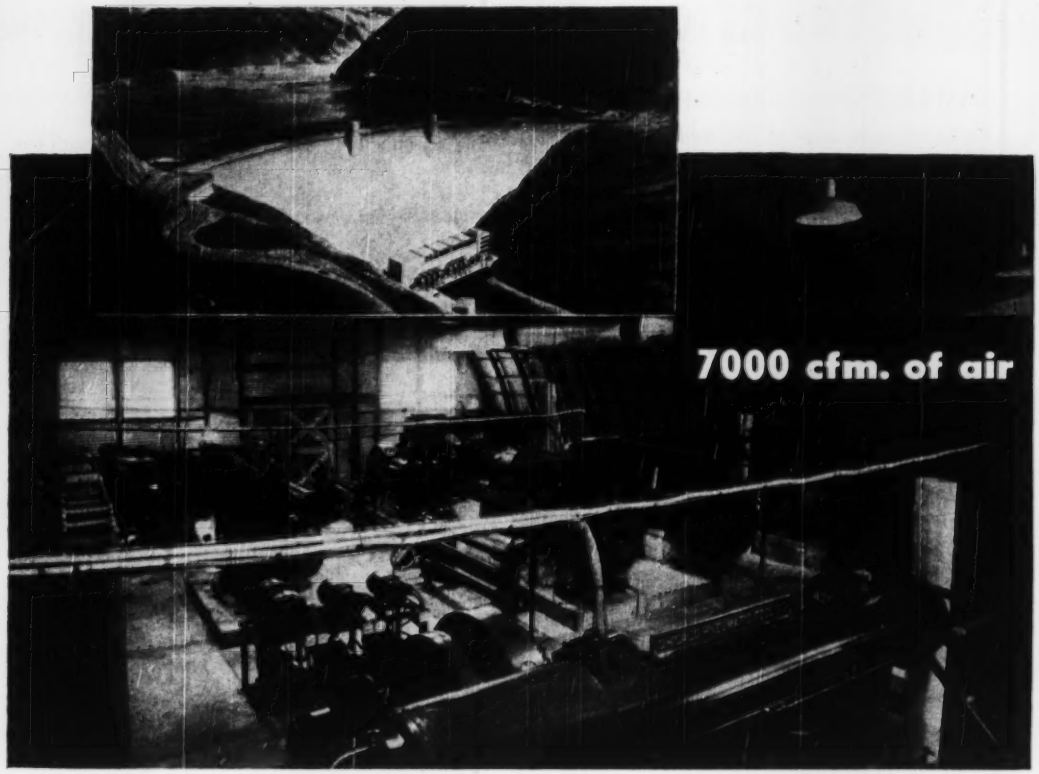
Obviously, the number of failures last year was small compared to the number of contractors doing business. Failures, of course, do not include all those who go out of business. Some firms are discontinued for one reason or another before they go bankrupt. In any case, though, the number dropping out is still far from alarming.

For all business, Dun and Bradstreet records a rate of 34 failures for each 10,000 operating businesses in 1949. That's sharply above the 4 for each 10,000 rate reached in 1945—the war-time low. But the 1949 rate is still less than half of what was called normal over the years from 1909 to 1939. Even in the prosperous 1920's, the rate was 98 per 10,000.

STEEL TO BE SHORT?

Eight months of on and off work in the coal pits may well result in some spot shortages of construction steel in the spring—even though the coal miners went back to work full time last week. The steel industry has not yet caught up on the backlog built up by its strike. Coal shortages limited production in the winter.

Now, with heavy construction setting new records, some contractors may have trouble getting steel. In any case, the pent-up demand for steel probably washes out possibilities of price cuts—may boost prices.



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Money for Roads

ROAD NEEDS have so far outdistanced the money available to meet them that a major overhaul of highway financing machinery is clearly required. Some efforts in this direction are already apparent, and all plans should be examined with an open mind.

The proposal to increase the federal contribution on the interstate system from 50 to 75% can be supported on the ground that it will enable the states to spread their own funds over more mileage of main highways. But it will also open the door to more federal control, which some states rate more distasteful than poor roads. The use of revenue bonds, to be retired through tolls, can be equally praised and abhorred. General obligation bonds, amortized either by taxes or tolls, are popular with some, opposed by others. Pay-as-you-go financing based on vehicle license fees and gas taxes is adequate for some areas, too slow with results for others.

The dilemma is particularly acute in those states that still divert highway-use taxes to other purposes. New York is a prime example. It has seldom used more than half its road "take" for roadbuilding, and its governor, this year, has proposed to divert all such funds into the general treasury. Bond financing is the natural alternative, but bonds have to be paid off, and some new way of collecting money for that purpose has to be devised. Since a major need is for the 468-mile, $400 million thruway system across the state, the governor directed his attention here, and came up with the idea of an authority to finance the work by special license plates issued to the users. It had earlier been determined that conventional toll collecting would not be practicable because of the great length of the road and the many entrances and exits required. A committee appointed by the governor has endorsed the license-plate idea and recommended an authority to issue bonds backed by the credit of the state. (ENR. March 9, 1950 p. 21)

In the three weeks available between its appointment and the rendering of its report the committee could hardly have gone very carefully into the broad question of road financing. Yet that would seem to be called for on a problem with such far-reaching consequences. The report may aid the governor in getting the legislature to provide the legal basis for establishment of an authority, which may be all to the good. But prudent financial management would now seem to require that the whole question of state road financing be subjected to detailed analysis.

The toll-by-license-plate idea is interesting, but dubious. It may or may not be necessary, if some means can be found to cease diverting highway taxes to other purposes. In any event, New York has exposed its dilemma on road financing, and now should face it squarely with ideas and with searching studies to prove or disprove them.

Numerous other states face the same problem in greater or less degree. If they too would attack it with the vigor and courage that is called for, some satisfactory solutions are sure to be found. Antidiversion amendments, higher license fees or gasoline taxes, revenue bonds, general obligation bonds—all these offer avenues of examination. More money for roads is needed, and it should be obtained under the soundest, most sensible plan that careful engineering and financial studies can turn up.

Chemical Soil Stabilization

LIKE ALCHEMISTS OF OLD, the soil researchers of today have long sought to make poor soils stable enough to carry highway vehicles or airplanes by in-place treatment with chemicals. Some success was attained with admixtures of asphalt oils, lime or portland cement, but reasonably good soils were required. More recently, some success was obtained with the addition of small quantities of certain types of resins to clay soils to waterproof the molecules, thus preventing the formation of soft mud.

Meanwhile there were persistent reports that laboratories engaged in secret research projects for the government had obtained spectacular results through the use of compounds that produced changes in the molecular structure of the soil being treated, changes that locked the molecules into new compounds.

Now the details of some of that research have been made public. They indicate that spectacular changes in soil characteristics can be produced by such means. The usefulness of these stabilization methods for military operations appears to be definitely established. Whether they will be equally useful for highways or airports, where long life is essential, remains to be seen.

Studies of the possibilities of organic compounds other than resins in soil stabilization also have been begun in the belief that the structural strength of soils can be increased by the addition of inexpensive compounds that will produce an exchange of ions.

Even moderate success in some of these new fields of research could have great significance. On main highways, better bases could be obtained at large savings over today's costs, and for secondary road work, better surfaces could be provided on thousands of miles at costs that would be within the reach of local road-building agencies.

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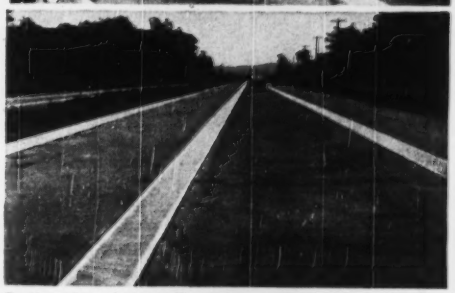

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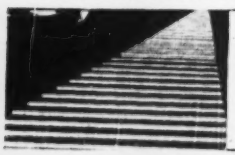

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Army, Navy release new data on chemical soil-stabilization

Encouraging results obtained in treating loose sand and poor soils with chemicals to make them serviceable for military operations within a few hours

Vincent B. Smith
ENR Washington Bureau

More information on results of studies by the Army and Navy—to determine whether sands and soils can be consolidated by treatment with chemicals—has been made public following presentation of test results to the Research and Development Board in Washington a few days ago. This supplements the brief announcement reported in ENR March 2, p 26.

Experiments conducted for the Navy's Bureau of Yards and Docks, under the direction of Prof. Hans F. Winterkorn, of Princeton, have gone farther and have produced more evidence in the way of full-scale tests than the project of Army's Engineer Research and Development Laboratories at Ft. Belvoir. The latter used laboratory batches and non-commercial chemicals, whereas Navy experiments have advanced to high-speed stabilization of various types of sand with standard road-building equipment and employing chemicals costing less than 16 cents a pound.

Objectives of the two projects are not precisely the same. The Army Engineers, in cooperation with Prof. John B. Wilbur and the civil engineering department at MIT, aim to develop a process that will convert quickly an ocean beach, muddy road or soupy field into a stable, rubbery surface that will support landing operations, movement of heavy vehicles and landing of aircraft. At the request of the Marine Corps, the Navy is working primarily to densify beach sands even more quickly—to reduce loss of life in landing operations. Navy results, of course, apply also to roads and air strips.

• **Navy stabilization methods**—Prof. Winterkorn was able to show the Research and Development Board motion pictures of fast-moving construction equipment processing sand soils that would support fairly heavy vehicle loads 2 to 3 hours later. In this process, two common road-building machines—a Seaman pulverizer and a P & H stabilizer—applied the chemicals, mixed them into the soil and struck off the mixture to a smooth surface.

Chemicals used in the process are a furfural resin and aniline. The furfural resin is a colorless, volatile, aromatic oil obtained by distilling wood, bran or corncobs with sulphuric acid. It is used commercially in the manufacture of dyestuffs and synthetic resins. The second chemical—aniline—is a colorless liquid obtained by nitration and reduction of benzol.

Chemically, the process involves low-temperature condensation and polymerization of the two liquids through introduction of a catalyst. As the rate of hardening is controlled by the catalyst, the hardening time can be shortened by using other catalytic agents. The catalyst now employed was chosen because it is the best available agent that can be used with ordinary road-building equipment. The machines require a certain amount of time for mixing and striking off the soil. New equipment is being designed by the Navy to permit faster stabilization.

• **Small-scale tests by Army**—At the Research and Development Board meeting, Army demonstrators made laboratory batches of stabilized soil and exhibited test samples. The Fort Belvoir tests were made with calcium acrylate that had to be produced in laboratory quantity as the chemical was not commercially available. Following this material, a catalytic compound—sodium thiosulfate and ammonium persulfate—was added to the aqueous soil mixture. From this point on, action had to be fast, as the material then starts to solidify quickly.

To conserve the limited quantity of sodium acrylate, small batches were prepared in a steel-drum rotary mixer and were placed in 2x4-ft patches 3 in. thick. As desired, the mixture retains a rubbery, elastic character for 2 to 5 hours to permit adjustment to the support of the underlying soil.

After that time, the stabilized soil becomes rigid and concrete-like until it is rewetted. Upon being soaked again, the material resumes its rubbery character, thoroughly stable and not at all slippery.

A difficult soil—Virginia sand-clay—was chosen for the first test, and the

TO SAVE LIVES ON BEACHES—Twenty-four hours after this stretch of sandy beach had been treated by the stabilization process developed by the Bureau of Yards and Docks, this 13½-ton load did not make an impression. (Official Department of Defense Photo.)

TEST LANE—These experimental panels, at Fort Belvoir, include (near center) the panel treated with calcium acrylate that stood up under 15 passes of a jeep although panels stabilized with other materials had begun to go to pieces. (U. S. Army Photo.)

test panel was laid in a lane along with other panels of soil stabilized with portland cement, asphalt and other materials.

Both in supporting heavy vehicle loads and in withstanding the effects of flooding, the chemically stabilized soil proved far superior to the others. It withstood repeated passage of vehicle loads up to 35 tons and flooding for 48 hours. After such a soaking, the material was as strong and flexible as when first placed. The other test strips failed both under 40 passes of heavy vehicles and after 48-hr flooding.

• **Regains its shape**—Wheel loads of the heavy vehicles ran up to 20,000 lb. When such a load stood on the chemically stabilized soil for a long period, it formed a depression which did not last after the load was removed. The rubbery material came back to a level surface.

The process can be used on soils containing as much as 30 percent water by weight. Calcium acrylate is the basic chemical; this organic chemical is adsorbed by the soil particles. The two other compounds cause the calcium acrylate molecules to lock themselves together. Thus the soil particles are joined in a simple, fast chemical reaction.

About 13 lb of chemicals were used for the 8 sq ft of the test section, which was 3 in. thick. That means about 16 lb per sq yd or about 84 tons for a mile of 18-ft wide road, or 800 tons for a 150-ft wide air-strip 6,000 ft long.

Calcium acrylate is scarce now and hence is expensive. As it is composed of the common elements of oxygen, hydrogen, calcium and carbon, there is no reason why the cost should not be reduced to a few cents a pound, according to the Army research staff.

Mixing methods are under development. At present, a two-step method, incorporating the three chemicals in aqueous solutions during the mixing period of several minutes, appears to be the best.

• **Earlier stabilization tests**—Early in 1942, very encouraging results were obtained in stabilizing clay soils by the addition of Vinsol resin, a product of the Hercules Power Co. (ENR May 7, 1942, vol. p. 777). Two years later, Hercules brought out an improved product called Stabinol. Considerable quantities of it were used for soil stabilization during the war. However, that work indicated the need for much more research to determine the correct amounts of Stabinol for different soil types. This could not be undertaken during the war. Some interest has developed recently in a dry pulverized sodium salt of Vinsol resin called Vinsol NXV. No large-scale tests have been made.

All concrete pipe types to be promoted jointly

American Concrete Pressure Pipe Association, formed in 1949 to promote interests of that industry, is now affiliated with the 43-year-old American Concrete Pipe Association. The latter has always devoted itself to promotion of concrete sewer and culvert pipe and concrete irrigation and drain tile.

The two associations will coordinate their activities as members of a joint association known as "Concrete Pipe Association, Inc." under direction of Howard P. Peckworth, as managing director for all three.

New president of the American Concrete Pipe Association, elected at the convention in San Francisco last month, is Edward H. Fox, Cincinnati Concrete Pipe Co. Robert V. Edwards, American Pipe & Construction Co., Los Angeles, is president-elect of American Concrete Pressure Pipe Association.

Affiliations affect standing before NLRB

A local materials supply business which is allied closely with other construction interests of a less local character may itself become subject to the National Labor Relations Board.

That's what NLRB has decided by reversing itself on a charge of unfair labor practice against the Tampa Sand & Material Co. A previous charge by the CIO Stone and Allied Products Union was dismissed.

But NLRB, on a second charge, discovered the company is broker for asphalt sales by the Mexican Petroleum Corp. and the Texas Co. Its officers are identical with those of the Cone Brothers Contracting Co. and the Municipal Bond Mortgage Corp. Cone Brothers builds U. S. highways in Florida, and under the Strong Co. precedent, (ENR Nov. 3, 1949, p 15) it could be subject to NLRB jurisdiction. So NLRB took jurisdiction over the second charge, even though Member Abe Murdock dissented.

Other recent NLRB rulings affecting construction include these:

1. It upheld a brewery's refusal to hire AFL millwrights to install bottling machinery. The company wanted to use its own employees, members of the Machinists union.

2. It ordered the AFL Operating Engineers to stop coercing and threatening non-striking workmen on the Army's Wolf Creek Dam job in Kentucky.

3. It refused General Counsel Robert N. Denham's plea to reconsider its action in the case of Clarence Row, a small California contractor. It had refused to assert jurisdiction over Row's business (he has never employed more than 20 workmen on any project). Denham argued NLRB should take the case, which involves closed shop discrimination, because the multi-million dollar construction industry is made up of numerous small units.

N. C. studies toll road

A north-south toll road across North Carolina is under investigation, but Gov. Kerr Scott, who started the study, insists that no state credit or funds will be devoted to it.

Governor Scott appointed a committee to study the possibility and report to next year's legislature. A Durham bond house agreed to underwrite an engineering survey and to sell the necessary revenue bonds.

As proposed, the highway would originate near Gastonia, then proceed north near Charlotte, Kannapolis, Salsbury, High Point, Greensboro, Burlington, Chapel Hill and Durham.

Money, aggressiveness, legislation needed for road progress, ARBA told

Convention at Cincinnati warned on inadequacy of today's highway program, urged to be bold in developing new plans

More money is needed to finance an unprecedented road program.

Federal financing of state roads must increase, percentagewise.

The public and Congress must be impressed more forcibly with the country's highway deficiencies and requirements.

Highway building must be approached much more boldly.

There must be less inertia in getting at strategic road jobs.

And new legislation—state and federal—must be had to eliminate bottlenecks which threaten to impede, if not throttle, road building.

These points constitute consensus of the solutions to today's road problems which were offered by three authorities to the American Road Builders' Association convention last week at Cincinnati.

• **Obsolescence overtaking building**—ARBA President Enoch R. Needles, New York consulting engineer, warned of an impending crisis in highway building. Obsolescence on the existing road system, he warned, rapidly is overtaking the new construction rate. He urged that this message be drummed into the public endlessly.

There's no dearth of contractors, Needles emphasized. And equipment available today can perform increased volumes of work at reduced costs. Today's bottlenecks, he said, arise in large part from the inability promptly to get underway work which has been authorized and for which funds are available.

Needles cited two examples of how these delays have been ended. In Maine, he said, a $20,000,000 turnpike has been completed during the past two working seasons. In New Jersey, ten construction contracts are underway on the $200-million turnpike for which planning was started a year ago. All its funds are available and work will end in two seasons.

• **Confirmation from Congress**—Rep. Will M. Whittington, Mississippi Democrat and chairman of the House Public Works Committee, confirmed Needles' views on more funds for roads. He told the 1,100 engineers and road builders that federal aid for highways must be enlarged during the next two years. But he warned that states must boost their road funds also.

Whittington cited these measures as needed to meet present and future road requirements:

1. A boost from 50 to 75 percent in federal-aid highway financing ratios. (He has moved one step in this direction, ENR March 9, p. 17.)

2. More expressways and four-lane divided highways with controlled access in urban areas.

3. State law improvements to permit speedier right-of-way acquisitions.

4. Federal and state assistance to local road agencies for the improvement of engineering and administration on local programs.

Whittington predicted that the measure he introduced in Congress early this month will meet present and future highway needs. He reaffirmed the federal-aid principle as a base on which to continue and expand the roads necessary for a $250-billion national economy.

• **Time to be bold**—Thomas H. MacDonald, commissioner of the Bureau of Public Roads, added further support for the concept of a bolder approach to road building. In a paper presented by his assistant, Lawrence Tuttle, MacDonald demanded drastic measures.

MacDonald quoted a survey of highway construction needs prepared by the American Association of State Highway Officials which found a need for the yearly expenditure for the next 15 years of $4 billion ($1 billion for maintenance, $500 million for interest, amortization and administration, $2.5 billion for construction).

To carry out this program, MacDonald said, will require the expenditure of 30 percent more per year than was spent in 1949. He said this would prove a small increase in view of the fact that in 15 years, the roads would be giving the service required of them.

We're failing to meet highway needs today, MacDonald asserted, and he gave these reasons why:

1. The enormous increase in highway travel since the war.

2. Failure of the public and its elected representatives to appreciate the urgency of the situation.

3. The necessity to modernize highway legislation. State inability to control access to arterial routes and state difficulty in obtaining rights-of-way are examples of the latter, he declared.

• **Highway directors?**—Wilfred Owen, Brookings Institute economist, called for creation of an industry-wide board of directors embracing major interests in the highway transportation field. It might well be part of a federal transportation agency, he said. But it should seek a better balance between road building expenditures and vehicle operating costs. The only approach to sound highway transport, Owen warned, is for each affected industry to cooperate toward good transport at low cost.

We're building 1980's roads today, Owen said. With a $41 billion backlog in existence now, we're spending $3 billion yearly, more than half of which goes for maintenance, debt service and administration. It will take $1.4 billion yearly to correct the deficiencies which will accumulate during the next decade. So, at the present building rate, there'll be a dead heat between new construction and accumulating deficiencies in 1960—and the backlog won't have changed in volume.

• **Money isn't everything**—Even so, Owen went on, the money problem isn't the only highway problem. One of the basic faults he cited is the fact

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PHS sets up new unit to publish pollution data

U. S. Public Health Service has established a new unit to supervise publication of comprehensive reports on water pollution conditions throughout the country, according to Mark D. Hollis, assistant surgeon general and chief Public Health Service's engineering activities.

It will be part of the Division of Water Pollution Control and be known as the Reports Analysis and Statistics Branch. Perry R. Taylor will head the branch as well as continue his present assignment as executive officer of the Water Pollution Control Advisory Board.

First of the comprehensive reports by the new agency will be published early this spring.

Steel, pollution men agree on waste program

Nine Ohio River Basin steel companies have enlisted with the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission in a drive to abate steel industry pollution.

Meeting with the commission early this month, representatives of the nine companies suggested that a committee appointed by top management of the companies be established within the next month, to pool knowledge and resources for expediting waste-control and to cooperate with the commission. It was the first of a series of such meetings.

One company estimated that segregation of wastes to permit treatment would cost $25,000,000 for new sewers alone.

that half the states don't have legal control of highway access. Owen had these suggestions for highway improvement:

1. Better control of roadside developments, for greater safety.
2. An end to parking on urban roads.
3. Elimination of certain urban mileage from public highway systems.
4. More ingenious financing, including long-term state bonds or revenue bonds secured by road tolls.

Highway maintenance needs more effective mechanization, according to H. A. Radzikowski, chief of BPR's maintenance branch. He said this is particularly true on rural roads. One solution is multi-purpose equipment which can be operated more hours per year. Another is the joint use of equipment by state, county and local maintenance units.

• **80-year pavement**—City street pavements can be built with a life-expectancy of 80 years, assuming proper maintenance and resurfacing. W. L. Chilcote, Baltimore's deputy highway engineer explained how. His process starts with a 9-in. concrete pavement good without resurfacing for 35 years. Covering it with sheet asphalt after 20 years will make it a 45-year surface, Chilcote said. Another resurfacing after 45 years will raise it to 65-year pavement, and still another could raise the life expectancy of the pavement to 80 years.

Airport savings could be had by building single strips long enough for a plane to land at one end, unload in the middle and take off from the other end. CAA Administrator D. W. Rentzel pronounced such strips feasible. And CAA's Walter Macatee urged that airport access highways be included in the defense highway network.

ARBA endorsed AASHO's program for expanded federal aid, but it sought $1 billion yearly appropriations. Other resolutions: Extend expiration date of the Federal Airport Act until 1958; provide federal aid for purely local roads by enlarging the present federal-aid secondary system; and put into the interstate system with highest priority main roads between cities and Class III or larger airports.

ARBA announced the retirement of Charles M. Upham as engineer-director (ENR March 9, p. 17). He will serve as a consultant to ARBA. Minnesota Highway Commissioner M. J. Hoffman received the association's George S. Bartlett Award.

E. R. Needles was reelected president. Jennings Randolph was reelected treasurer and president of the Airport Division. Paul B. Reinhold, Pittsburgh; C. W. Smith, Pensacola; W. A. Roberts, Milwaukee; and T. F. Stanton, Sacramento, were reelected district vice presidents. H. L. Way, San Bernardino, Calif., succeeds A. N. Buck, Decatur, Ill., as president of the County Highway Officials Division. Reelected divisional presidents were R. K. Stiles, Aurora, Ill., Manufacturers; N. L. Teer, Jr., Durham, N. C., Contractors; H. H. Kranz, Cincinnati, Municipal; A. Diefendorf, Salt Lake City, Educational; and R. S. Pulido, Havana, Pan-American.

FARMS AHEAD—Construction pushes ahead in eastern Washington on irrigation works which soon will let farmers settle on what is now a desert. This photo, on the Burbank pumping unit of the Reclamation Bureau's Columbia Basin project, shows a form for the concrete casing which will protect a steel pipeline at a road crossing. The pipe will connect with the concrete pipeline extending uphill in the background. Lift is about 100 ft. (Reclamation Bureau Photo.)

A. B. Lincoln dies on way to Ft. Randall Dam job

Allan B. Lincoln, job manager for Mason & Hanger Co., New York, died suddenly in Yankton, S. D., March 8, while he was on his way to take over direction of the company's contract on Ft. Randall Dam, on the Missouri River. He was moving from New York City, where he had been job manager for Manhattan sections of the Brooklyn-Battery Tunnel.

Lincoln joined Mason & Hanger in 1939. He had been a field engineer for the Port of New York Authority on both the George Washington Bridge and the Lincoln Tunnel. He was 49 years old, a member of the A.S.C.E. and a graduate of Rutgers University.

BLS sees glut in market for engineers

Graduates this year seen at peak of 47,000—Electricals in greatest oversupply, civils much better off

Because of the large number of veterans who sought engineering training under the GI Bill of Rights, the market for engineers is going to be glutted for some years.

That is the gist of a new report just published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Peak in graduates is expected this year—47,000 as compared with 41,000 last year and an average of 10,000 in prewar years. By 1956, the number is expected to be down to 18,000. Then, need for engineers will have risen about to a point of balance.

The oversupply is expected to be greatest in electrical engineering. Conditions in civil engineering will be much better as enrolments in these courses rose less rapidly after the war than in others. The report estimates that the demand for civil engineers will continue at a fairly high level for several years.

But it notes that this field is much more sensitive to declines in the general business level than are others. Hence, predictions of future demand are much more susceptible of error. Civil engineers are expected to total around 105,000 by 1960.

• **Total engineering employment**—Engineers in the U. S. rose from 27,000 in 1890 to 260,000 in 1940. By the spring of 1948, the total was up to 350,000.

This total is expected to rise again to 450,000 by 1960, an increase of about 8,000 jobs per year.

Death and retirement losses during the decade 1940-50 are estimated as ranging from 5,000 in 1940 to 6-7,000 now.

This rate is seen rising almost to 9,000 by 1960. To this should be added an annual loss of about 4,000 who leave engineering to go into other work.

On this basis, BLS estimates the number of engineering graduates needed during the next several years at 17,000 to 18,000, and it concludes that this might rise to 21,000 to 22,000.

Cooperating in this report were the Engineers Joint Council and the American Society for Engineering Education. Copies can be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C., for 25 cents.

Report is entitled "Employment Outlook for Engineers," Bulletin No. 968, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor.

Indiana watches appeal on city bonding powers

Indiana municipalities are balancing numerous municipal programs in mid-air this week, awaiting the outcome of a state supreme court appeal from a ruling affecting their power to issue bonds.

Their prospects were clouded partially, at least, by an earlier state supreme court decision on a somewhat similar case. In that ruling, the court decision denied certain city bonding powers.

To be appealed is a recent ruling by Judge Joseph V. Stadola, who banned the issuance of bonds by the Hammond Sanitary District in excess of the city's 2 percent limit.

Other municipalities are involved because many of them are bonded to their legal limit, thus can not finance numerous urgent projects, particularly health and sanitation works, unless they can find a way around these limits.

Judge Stadola said his decision against the Hammond issue rested on a supreme court decision which barred the Indianapolis Hospital District from issuing bonds for building a general hospital.

There, under a somewhat limited ruling, the court held that the hospital district was a subterfuge with no purpose other than that of evading the bond limit.

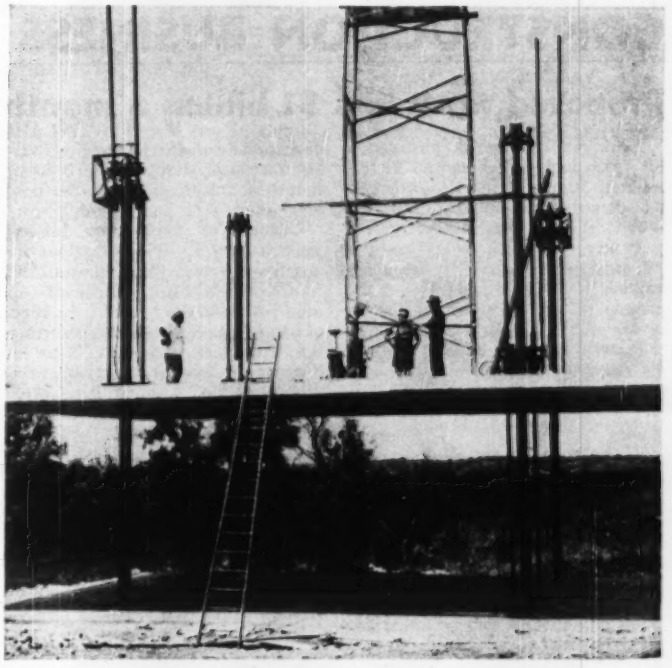
But the supreme court, in that case, did not rule definitely that a clearly independent district, serving areas beyond cities, could not issue bonds. On this point rests the Hammond appeal and the hopes of other Indiana agencies.

Connecticut contractors set up welfare program

Connecticut contractors and building trades unions have joined in a program under which 8,000 construction workers and their dependents will be covered by a welfare and insurance program.

The plan has the Ok of the Connecticut Associated General Contractors, Connecticut Steel Fabricators and Erectors, and Connecticut Building Trades. Connecticut AGC President Angelo Giardino and Michael Minotti, business agent for the Bridgeport local, Bricklayers Union, are co-chairmen of the committee that will administer the program. Effective May 15, the plan permits all the building industry trades to participate.

Many contractors are participating and officials anticipate that others who have not yet joined the program will do so when it is operating smoothly.



RAISING THE ROOF—In constructing a 61x384-ft, 2-story classroom-administration building at Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas, James Stewart & Co., Inc., the contractor, is casting upper story slabs in 40x70-ft units at ground level and then lifting them vertically into place. The method was conceived by Philip N. Youtz, New York architect, and Tom Slick, San Antonio businessman, and developed and tested by the Institute of Inventive Research of San Antonio. Low bids were: $279,364, or $6.35 per sq ft, for the Youtz-Slick method; $303,364, or $6.89 per sq ft, for the conventional method. The same technique is beir.g used by G. W. Mitchell Co. for a dormitory for the university.

Arizona gets road-trip cost data

How much do motorists spend while traveling interstate?

The Bureau of Public Roads asked Montana, Idaho, Arizona and Utah to get answers to this question. A north-south line through these states bisects the United States and the answers will provide valuable planning data.

Arizona's report, completed Feb. 21, was the first to come in.

Its survey reveals the following (all are average figures):

1. Each traveler spent $5.72 a day for food, lodging, gasoline, etc.
2. This came to $0.024 per mile.
3. Each car went 233.5 miles a day.
4. Total spent per vehicle was $16.07 per day.
5. Each vehicle had traveled an average of 11.7 days.
6. Each carried an average of 2.8 persons.
7. Vacations were the predominant trip purpose.
8. Motels were the most-used accommodation of those available.

To get this information, members of the Arizona Origin-Destination Survey party handed trip expenditure questionnaires to interstate motorists. Thus, by using an already established party working for another purpose, extra personnel were not required.

These questionnaires were handed out at three screen-line stations located on the three major east-west highways in Arizona. Two distributions were made from each station, one late in 1948, the other early in 1949. Five distributions covered a two-day period, one three days.

Of 3,317 questionnaires distributed, 935 were returned and 859 of these were usable. Questionnaires were returned by vehicles from 42 states.

Results were tabulated on punch cards and a duplicate set of cards is to be sent to the Bureau of Public Roads for its use. Arizona engineers used the punch cards to analyze the data.

CONSTRUCTION BUSINESS

Proposed work hits $1 billion a month

Additions to proposed construction hit a new high in February of $1,130 million. Proposed new constructoin has exceeded one billion dollars every month since last November.

With new proposed work over a billion dollars a month, construction volume should hold up well over the coming months as much of the recently proposed work is private industrial and commercial building planned for the near future.

New Proposed Construction and Contract Awards

1949	Proposed Work	Contracts
Jan.	$1,070,167,000	$565,826,000
Feb.	1,121,155,000	563,084,000
Mar.	931,516,000	743,529,000
Apr.	531,967,000	589,693,000
May	966,593,000	601,709,000
June	582,069,000	896,128,000
July	729,148,000	619,442,000
Aug.	689,429,000	781,416,000
Sept.	947,821,000	810,309,000
Oct.	610,885,000	553,482,000
Nov.	1,089,726,000	589,224,000
Dec.	1,006,498,000	863,561,000
1950		
Jan.	1,010,751,000	915,475,000
Feb.	1,130,228,000	686,221,000

These new projects added each month, representing gross additions to backlog, brought the total backlog at the end of February to $48,545 million. That's after deduction of $314 million for proposed work advanced to contract award status or cancelled during the month of February.

The net addition to backlog in February was $649 million, $291 million of it private projects and $358 million public works.

From the $2,141 million of new construction proposed during the first two months of 1950, $621 million, or 39%, was deducted before adding to the cumulative backlog; the deduction represent old plans that were advanced this year to active status or else cancelled.

The Middle West has had a terrific growth in backlog this year, most of it new proposed industrial buildings. Net increase in backlog for this region since the first of the year totals $569 million; that's a growth of 8% in total backlog over a period of two months, compared with just 3% for the U. S. as a whole.

And the big increase for the Middle West is in all categories of construction and in all five states of the region.

Illinois, Indiana and Ohio have taken biggest jumps in proposed backlog of construction so far this year. In Illinois, virtually all types of construction backlog showed large gains, especially industrial and commercial buildings and state and municipal buildings and roads. In Ohio, both industrial and commercial building backlog increased strongly. In Indiana, industrial construction was the only big gainer.

Changes in construction backlog since January 1, 1950 by regions are as follows: New England, down 0.2%; Middle Atlantic, up 1.8%; South, up 2.0%; Middle West, up 7.8%; West of Mississippi, up 2.6%; Far West, up 0.8%; and total U. S., up 2.7%.

Since 14 months ago (January 1, 1949), backlog changes have been: New England, up 15%; Middle Atlantic, up 15%; South, up 17%; Middle West, up 20%; West of Mississippi, up 9%; Far West, up 5%; total U. S., up 12%.

Backlog in the Far West has not grown with the rest of the nation either recently or during the past year. New England's backlog has declined since January 1, 1950, but it kept pace with the nation last year.

Proposed Construction Backlog

(in millions)

	Jan. 1 1949	Jan. 1 1950	Mar. 1 1950
Me.	$134	$107	$110
N. H.	93	96	102
Vt.	102	108	108
Mass.	892	1,086	1,068
R. I.	218	255	260
Conn.	606	708	707
New Eng.	2,045	2,360	2,354
N. Y.	5,926	6,032	6,202
N. J.	1,076	1,404	1,405
Pa.	2,348	3,122	3,104
Md.	744	869	911
D. of C.	429	436	461
Del.	122	157	160
Mid. Atl.	10,645	12,020	12,242
Va.	479	559	563
W. Va.	185	203	208
N. C.	519	539	548
S. C.	327	346	343
Ga.	376	388	411
Fla.	701	871	884
Ala.	340	322	331
Miss.	271	286	292
La.	586	733	755
Ky.	170	202	223
Tenn.	522	712	725
South	4,520	5,179	5,282
O.	1,902	2,278	2,428
Ind.	877	922	1,028
Ill.	1,971	2,221	2,490
Wisc.	363	338	356
Mich.	1,441	1,506	1,531
Mid. West	6,554	7,264	7,833
Minn.	390	434	469
Iowa	368	372	387
Mo.	1,400	1,569	1,540
Ark.	544	685	697
N. D.	284	293	311
S. D.	329	335	341
Neb.	393	422	427
Kan.	668	628	643
Okla.	713	749	782
Tex.	4,716	4,963	5,111
Mont.	474	471	473
Wyo.	278	290	290
Colo.	656	696	718
N. M.	251	278	286
W. of Miss.	11,424	12,154	12,475
Idaho	281	393	390
Utah	364	326	329
Ariz.	89	717	747
Nev.	141	135	135
Wash.	1,428	1,533	1,573
Ore.	601	586	588
Calif.	4,502	4,599	4,597
Far West	8,007	8,289	8,359
U. S. Total	43,194	47,266	48,545
Canada	7,103	7,475	7,993

Cement companies making record sales, earnings

Cement companies are making the best earnings in history. Record volume and moderate price rises, combined with improved plant efficiency enabled most companies to show 1949 earnings gains of 10-15% over 1948.

Leading domestic producers Alpha Portland Cement, Lehigh, and General increased dollar sales volume 7-9%, earnings 8-23% and net profit margins 11-12%.

Lone Star Cement Corp. raised volume 17% and earnings 26%, but part of this big gain was in South America, where its 1948 business was greatly hampered by shortages of fuel and by government restrictions.

Penn-Dixie took a 3% drop in sales during the year, but held earnings to an equivalent drop by raising its profit margin.

Shipments of portland cement in the U. S. during 1949 totaled 206 million barrels, 1% more than in 1948.

Canada tightens vacation pay stamp plan

The Canadian Building Trades Joint Committee tightened up its 2% vacation pay stamp plan last week when it put on notice all construction employers and employees that as of April 1 it will start legal procedures against those violating the law, which now covers every worker.

Massachusetts jacks wage compensation costs 20%

Increased benefits under the Massachusetts Workmen's Compensation Law raise the rates contractors must pay by an average of 20%. The new schedule was recently approved by Deputy Insurance Commissioner Edmund S. Cogswell.

Largest increase this year is a 50% boost for roofers, while masonry workers' rates are down 4%. The contractor now pays for roofers an insurance rate of $13.35 for every $100 paid out in wages, compared with $8.90 last year. Masonry workers' rates are down this year from $4.56 to $4.38.

Concrete construction workers' rates are up from $4.91 per $100 of wages to $6.01; plumbers from $1.61 to $2.05; and carpenters on private residences from $2.75 to $3.58.

These are the "manual" rates applied to employers not qualifying for an experience rating. Employers who pay $350 or more yearly in premiums have their rates partially determined on the basis of their own accident experience.

BIDS AND BIDDERS

(Major project news received after Construction Reports, page 61 went to press.)

Houses—Federal Constructors and Republic Construction Co., Chicago, will build houses in Chicago to cost $10,000,000 for the Packinghouse Workers of America, Chicago. Friedman, Alschuler & Sincere, are architects.

Office Building—Department Public Works, Government of Canada, Ottawa, Ont., will open bids April 19, for East Office Building in Ottawa. Estimated cost is $6,000,000. Allward & Gouinlock, Toronto, are consulting architects and G. Brault is architect for the owner.

Generating Plant—Bates & Rogers Construction Co., Chicago, was low bidder at $3,000,000 when Loup River Public Power Co., Columbus, Neb., opened bids for superstructure of generating plant at Bellevue, Neb. Sargent & Lundy, Chicago, are engineers.

Dwellings—Alba Housing Co., Los Angeles, will construct by own forces $5,000,000 housing development in Albuquerque, N. M.

Wharf and Dredging—U. S. Engineers, Anchorage, Alaska, plan constructing 1,420-ft-extension to wharf and dredging at Anchorage at estimated cost of about $3,556,000.

Apartment—Berhrman & Passell, Pittsburgh, plan constructing $5,000,000 apartment in Pittsburgh.

Hospital—St. Francis Hospital, Trenton, N. J., plans hospital addition in Trenton. Estimated cost is $3,000,000. Schmidt, Garden & Erikson, Chicago, are architects.

Housing—Proposed Michigan public housing incudes $5,000,000 housing project at Pontiac, for Pontiac Housing Authority, $1,500,000 for Ecorse Township Housing Project, Ecorse. Otis Winn, Detroit, is architect for both. Also $4,000,000 for Detroit Housing Commission, for Jefferies Housing Project in Detroit. Smith, Hinchman & Grylls, Detroit, are architects.

Civic Center—Ford Motor Company Foundation, Detroit, has contributed $2,500,000 to City of Detroit for civic auditorium. Architect will be selected in the near future.

Incinerator—Town of Hempstead, N. Y., will open bids about May 1, for incinerator at Merrick, N. Y. Estimated cost is $2,000,000. Henry W. Taylor, New York, is the consulting engineer.

Housing—City of Providence Housing Authority, R. I., will take bids April 17 for Admiral Terrace Veterans Housing Project at Providence to cost $2,750,000. Cruise & Aldrich, and Creer Kent Mather, Providence, are architects.

Pipe-Line—International Pipe Line Co., Edmondton, Alta., plans constructing 30-mile pipe-line to link pumping station at Edmondton, with Redwater Oil Field. Cost is about $2,000,000.

Ball Bearing Plant—Pigott Construction Co., Ltd., Toronto, Ont., will build ball bearing plant at Scarborough, Toronto, for Canadian SKF Co., Ltd., Toronto, at about $2,000,000. Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd., Toronto, will furnish structural steel. T. Pringle & Son, Ltd., Montreal, Que., is engineer.

Divided Highway—Central Pennsylvania Quarry, Stripping & Construction Co., Hazelton, Pa., was low at $2,189,934 for constructing divided highway in York County, Pa., when Pennsylvania Highway Department, Harrisburg, opened bids March 10.

Pollution Abatement Plant—Hoberg Paper Mills, Inc., Green Bay, Wis., plans constructing pollution abatement plant to cost about $1,250,000.

Leroy Anderson Dam—Santa Clara Water Conservation District, San Jose, Calif., received low bid on program A for Leroy Anderson Dam in Santa Clara County from Guy F. Atkinson Co., South San Francisco, at $1,879,772; on program B, United Concrete Pipe Corp. and Westbrook & Pope, Baldwin Park, were low at $2,175,781. G. Walter Hunt, San Jose, is engineer

Apartment—Westchester Apartments, Fort Worth, Tex., is taking bids for the construction of apartment in Fort Worth to cost $3,000,000. Wilson & Patterson, Fort Worth, are architects.

Bridge—M. E. Gillioz, Monett, Mo., has been awarded contract for bridge over Arkansas River at Tulsa, Okla., by the Oklahoma State Highway Dept. at $1,135,899. S. K. McClelland, Oklahoma City, is highway engineer.

Dwellings—Burdett-Perry, Inc., Tampa, Fla., will construct dwellings in Tampa for Davis Island Corp., Tampa. Estimated cost is $4,000,000. A. M. Watson, Tampa, is architect.

COSTS AND VOLUME

ENR INDEX NUMBERS

Index Base = 100		1913	1926
Construction Cost	Mar. '50	488.35	234.75
Building Cost	Mar. '50	359.98	194.59
Volume	Feb. '50	305	134

Activity This Week

As reported to ENR (in millions of dollars)

Amount of contracts let

	Week of Mar. 16 1950	Cumulative 1950 (11 wks.)	Cumulative 1949 (11 wks.)	% chge
Federal	$8.2	$366.8	$247.2	+48
State & Mun.	58.4	595.7	514.7	+16
Total Public	$66.6	$962.5	$761.9	+26
Total Private	146.6	1,196.4	797.4	+50
U. S. Total	$213.2	$2,158.9	$1,559.3	+38

Contracts by type of work

	This Week	Cumulative 1950 (11 wks.)	Cumulative 1949 (11 wks.)	% chge
Waterworks	$3.0	$38.2	$28.3	+48
Sewerage	7.4	47.7	40.8	+16
Bridges	5.6	68.1	76.8	−11
Highways	22.7	184.6	98.1	+88
Earthwork, Waterways	3.7	66.6	104.1	−36
Buildings, Public	22.2	459.6	363.6	+27
Industrial	28.0	214.9	209.0	+3
Commercial	110.4	881.2	519.8	+69
Unclassified	10.1	178.0	118.8	+50

NOTE: Minimum size projects included are: Waterworks and waterway projects, $28,000; other public works, $50,000; industrial buildings, $68,000; other buildings, $250,000.

New capital for construction

	Cumulative 1950 (11 wks.)	Cumulative 1949 (11 wks.)	% chge
NON-FEDERAL	$932.6	$1,018.7	−8
Corporate Securities	436.8	495.7	−12
State and Municipal:			
Excl. Housing	335.3	415.7	−19
Housing	160.5	107.3	+50
Total Capital	$932.6	$1,018.7	−8

Adopting Latest Design Concepts . . .

Oak Ridge Builds High-Standard Schools

E. F. Newman
Engineer, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill
Oak Ridge, Tenn.

CHILDREN of the atom-plant workers in Oak Ridge, Tenn., now attend two new elementary schools embodying the latest developments in lighting, heating and space use. Next year, an equally modern senior high school will be available to them.

The schools are part of the Atomic Energy Commission's building program at Oak Ridge. AEC is providing these educational facilities to serve new neighborhoods, to relieve congestion in war-built temporary schools and to replace temporary structures with permanent buildings of greater capacity.

Designers followed very closely the recommendations of the Oak Ridge Master Plan (ENR July 21, 1949, p. 48) as to location, size and general facilities. They developed design criteria around the program and educational methods of the local school system. Wherever possible within budgetary limitations, they took advantage of new developments in materials, equipment and layout. And they planned for additional use of the buildings by the community.

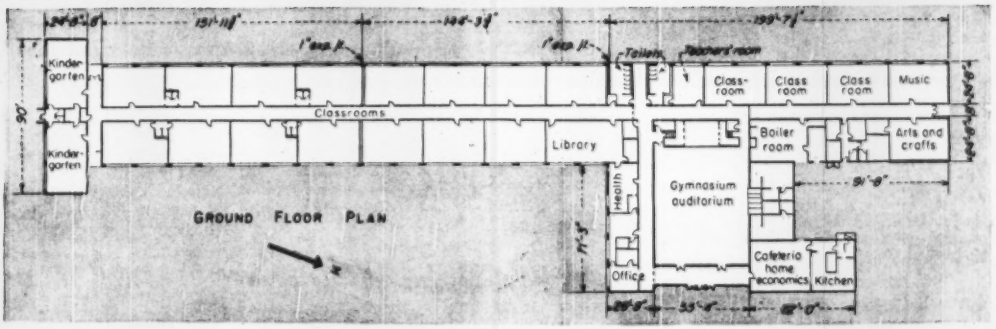
In designing the two elementary schools they took into consideration the fact that one of them—the Willow Brook School—was to be built in an existing residential area that will form a new neighborhood at one end of town, and that the other—the Woodland School—was to be integrated into a brand new residential neighborhood.

• **Willow Brook School**—for 525 students—is located on a 17-acre, hilly site. Taking advantage of the terrain, the designers made part of the building one-story high and the remainder two-story. They adopted an L-shaped plan because it gave them an efficient arrangement of facilities.

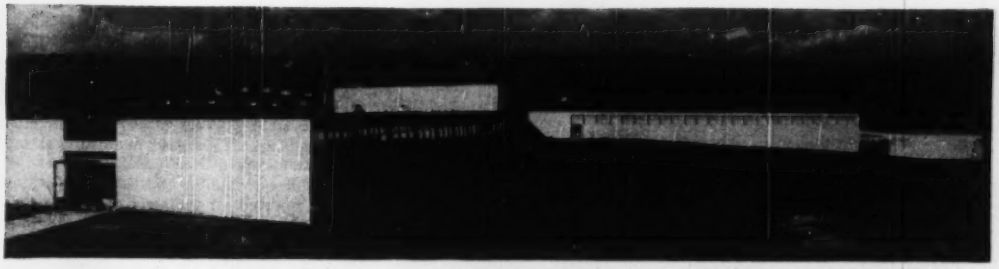
One long wing consists of two rows of classrooms on one level. The other houses special activities and administration facilities on two levels. This wing is attached at one end to a short, one-story kindergarten wing. A cafeteria and a gymnasium-auditorium, respectively, occupy the ground and first floors at the intersection of the main wings. With this arrangement, noisy activities will not be carried on next to rooms devoted to quieter uses.

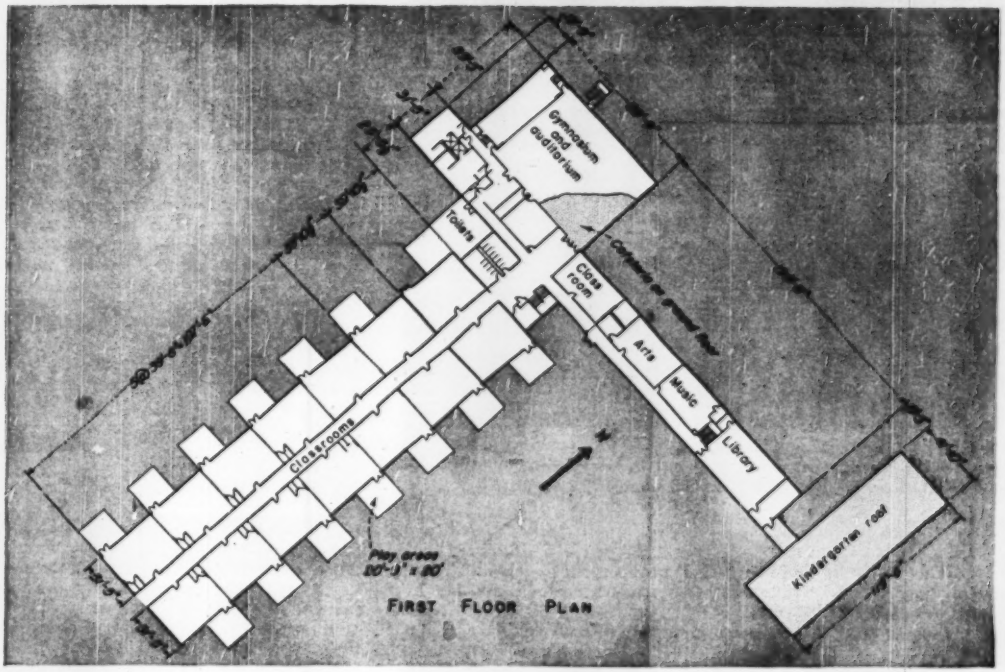
The school has a total floor area of 60,654 sq ft, including 15 general-activity classrooms, 3 kindergarten rooms, 3 special-instruction rooms and 4 offices for administration and teachers. There are also a library, health clinic, cafeteria, kitchen, gymnasium-auditorium and boiler room. The general-type classrooms, with their discussion and activity areas, space for work counters, wardrobes, sinks and toilet facilities (in lower-grade classrooms only) average 1,126 sq ft, or 45 sq ft per pupil.

The building has a reinforced concrete frame. Walls are made of lightweight concrete block. The roof consists of a lightweight concrete slab



WOODLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, rectangular in shape, is one story high. Walls are concrete block faced with brick. Two-thirds of each window is directional glass block, the remaining lower third is operating aluminum sash.





WILLOW BROOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, L-shaped, contains classrooms on one level in one wing and special activities and administration facilities on two levels in the other. A gymnasium-auditorium is at the intersection of the wings.

cast in place on open-web steel joists, and 4-ply built-up roofing.

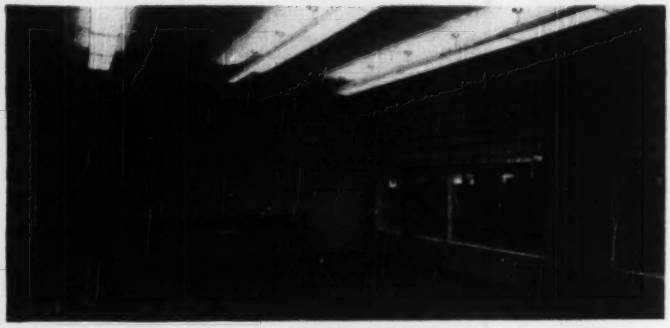
To obtain an indoor-outdoor effect, the designers called for full window walls (down to a 2-ft sill) and double exit doors opening out at grade to 20x20-ft asphalt-concrete play pads for each classroom. They secured bilateral lighting by introducing a clerestory over the corridor. To achieve this, they lowered the corridor ceiling below that of the classrooms and placed piping and service conduits in the floor. And to supplement the natural lighting (seeking 35 ft-candles at desk level at all time) they specified fluorescent fixtures.

An automatically controlled radiant-heating system meets 70% of the heating requirements of the building. Consisting of 21,000 ft of 1-in. copper pipe embedded in the concrete floors, it is used in the classroom wing, the kindergarten and the ground floor of the special-activities wing. The gymnasium-auditorium has two heating and ventilating units and four exhaust fans. Elsewhere, steam convectors heat the rooms.

Other design and equipment features of the Willow Brook School include acoustical-tile ceilings, reversible chalk and tack-board combinatoins, a public-address and intercommunication system, and toilet facilities with scaled-down fixtures for kindergarten and lower-grade classrooms. Liberal use was made of color for interior finishes to emphasize the differences in space use and to improve the visual environment.

John A. Johnson & Sons, of Oak Ridge and Brooklyn, built the school in 13¼ months under a general contract including site development, attached equipment and utilities. Total construction cost was $944,045. Cost of the building with equipment was $860,698, or $14.19 per sq ft $1.015 per cu ft and $1,639 per pupil.

• **Woodland School**—Different factors affected the design of the Woodland School, which has a capacity of 550 pupils—about the same as the first school. Since it is built in an entirely new residential neighborhood, the designers developed its functional character to satisfy precise community needs and endeavored to blend the



WOODLAND CLASSROOMS are steam heated with convectors. Natural lighting with directional glass block is supplemented by fluorescent.

WILLOW BROOK CLASSROOMS are designed to handle many activities. The green glass chalkboard at the left is stationary, but the combination chalk-tackboard at the right is reversible. Children's oak furniture is movable.

structure with its surroundings.

They found site conditions favorable. They carefully weighed design alternatives. And as a result, they produced a well balanced, flexible school, which was constructed at relatively low unit cost.

The flat 15-acre site enabled them to adopt the single-level scheme favored for elementary schools. They made the building rectangular in shape, 529 ft long. They oriented it to face the long arc of a principal neighborhood street but set it back an ample distance to preclude disturbance by street activities. For safe pedestrian access, they provided concrete walks and footpaths leading toward adjacent residences and roads.

After carefully studying various layouts and reducing space requirements to a satisfactory optimum, the designers fitted all facilities on a floor area of 39,924 sq ft. These facilities include 18 general-activity classrooms, 2 kindergarten rooms, a music room, arts-and-crafts room, library, health room, combined home economics and cafeteria kitchen, gymnasium-auditorium and offices for administration and teachers.

Substantial savings resulted from the school system's plan to transport food prepared at the new Senior High School cafeteria to this school. This scheme made it possible to reduce cafeteria and kitchen requirements and to combine these facilities with home economics.

By placing toilet facilities between adjoining classrooms, off a small corridor connecting the rooms, the designers kept to a minimum separate toilet installations for the kindergarten and 8 lower-grade rooms. The various savings in floor area held the classroom space down to 35.5 sq ft per pupil.

The designers considered load-bearing wall and pier construction logical for the flat site and the single-level scheme. They used concrete block faced with brick for the exterior. By specifying directional glass block for the upper two-thirds of window openings and operating aluminum sash for the lower portion, they obtained desirable daylighting of classrooms without more costly bilateral lighting. The combination of brick, glass and block makes the Woodland School attractive and provides a note of relief from the concrete-block construction of neighboring houses.

Corridor walls generally are load bearing. However, to provide flexibility in use of space, interior partitions were framed with wood and faced with gypsum board. The designers believed this to be economical not only in first cost but also in making future alterations. The roof consists of built-up roofing and wood sheathing supported on open-web steel joists.

Kindergarten rooms and lower-grade classrooms are heated by coils placed in the floor slabs. Elsewhere, convectors are used. Air is exhausted from the classrooms through a duct over the central corridor ceiling.

A. Farnell Blair Co., Inc., of Atlanta, Ga., built the school in 12 months. Total cost was $468,402. Cost of the building and installed equipment was $405,305, or $10.15 per sq ft, $0.65 per cu ft and $737 per pupil.

In addition to the economies mentioned, several other factors were responsible for the low cost. The school was close to utilities installed under contracts for adjacent residential areas. There was a notable increase in competitive bidding during the six months (June, 1948, and Jan., 1949) between the letting of contracts for the two elementary schools. Prices generally were lower and efficiency of workmen improved.

• **Senior High School**—Still other factors affected the design of the new Senior High School. Planned for a capacity of 1,500 pupils, it will be the first major unit of the town's future Cultural Center, where the educational, social, recreational and cultural life of the whole community will be focused. As the design was developed, the architects paid careful attention to the school's multi-purpose function. At the same time, they established design criteria to secure low first cost and inexpensive maintenance.

Considerable cost was involved in the 1500-seat auditorium, which was clearly a municipal facility. Only 750 seats would have been required strictly for school use. Yet, despite the added burden of the facilities provided for community use, the school cost only $11.18 per sq ft.

Placed under contract last June, the high school is being constructed on a 540-calendar-day schedule. It consists of four buildings on a partly wooded, rolling site. They are arranged in two groups connected by a 265-ft enclosed passageway.

The four buildings have 191,000 sq ft of floor area. This includes space for 32 discussion-activity type classrooms and 31 special instruction rooms for science, home economics, journal-

ism, commerce, arts and crafts, drama and music. There are also shops for vocational training; complete administration facilities, offices for student guidance and a library; a cafeteria; an auditorium with fully equipped stage; boiler and machine room; and a gymnasium and related athletic facilities. The cafeteria can handle 1,500 in three shifts and is equipped with a student's lounge and a stage.

The main classroom building is two stories high, 564x64 ft. Fronting on a street handling interneighborhood traffic, it contains the activity-discussion classrooms, science and home-economics laboratories, other special activity rooms, and administration and teachers' facilities. The library, seating 120 students, occupies a wing perpendicular to the main building.

Composed of a series of typical bays, the classroom building has a reinforced concrete frame. Walls are concrete block faced with brick. Floors are concrete, the second floor being supported on open-web steel joists. Partitions are concrete block and gypsum. Roofs are 20-year bonded, built-up roofing on cast-in-place gypsum and gypsum decking, which are carried on open-web joists.

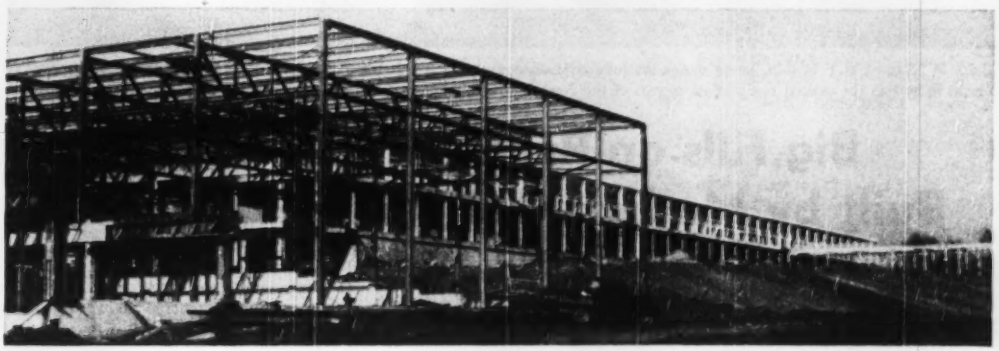
Next to the classroom building on the west is the gymnasium, which has a floor area of 29,500 sq ft. It has a fireproofed steel frame, concrete block walls and brick facing.

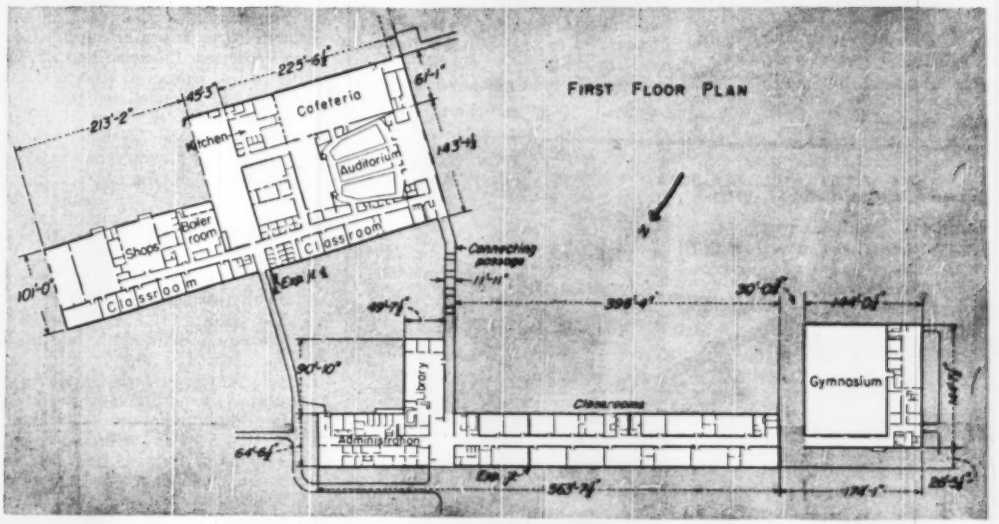
The municipal auditorium, cafeteria and shops are in the other two buildings. The auditorium and cafeteria have a floor area of 48,000 sq ft. The shop has 22,600 sq ft. It houses facilities for training automobile and airplane mechanics and classrooms for special instruction in other trades.

All buildings have aluminum projected windows. Doors are wood, with glass panels, and have extruded aluminum frames. Three low-pressure boilers will supply steam for fin-type radiators, convectors, and heating and ventilating units. Exhaust ventilation will be provided by power ventilators on building roofs.

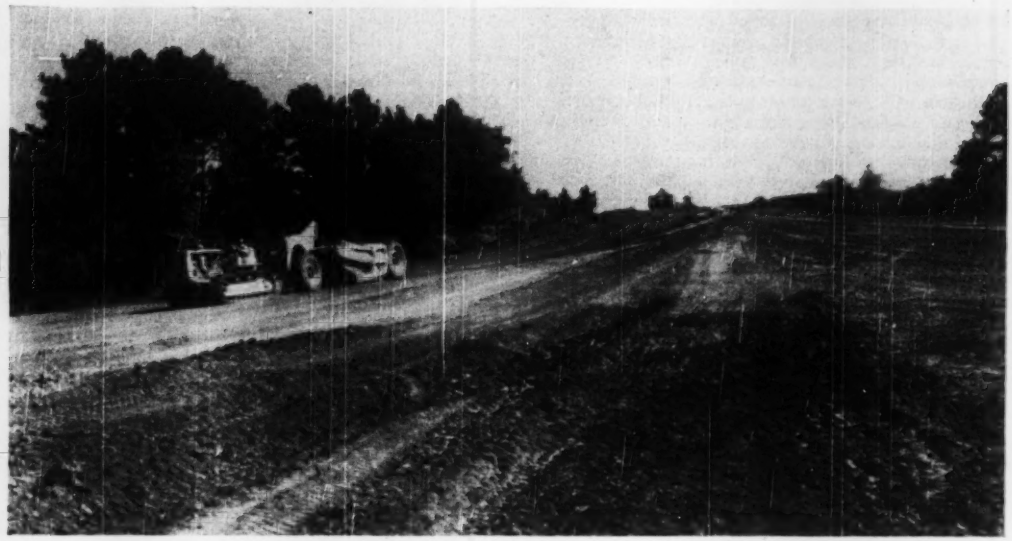
John A. Johnson & Sons, Inc., is the general contractor on this project. The total amount of the contract including buildings, site development, utilities and attached equipment is $2,473,174. The building cost, including 5 ft outside the building line, amounts to $2,137,800 or $11.18 a sq ft, $0.64 per cu ft and $1,425 per pupil, including the auditorium.

Planning, design and supervision of construction for the three schools were performed by Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, architect-engineer, of Chicago, New York and San Francisco, under contract with the Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge Operations Office.



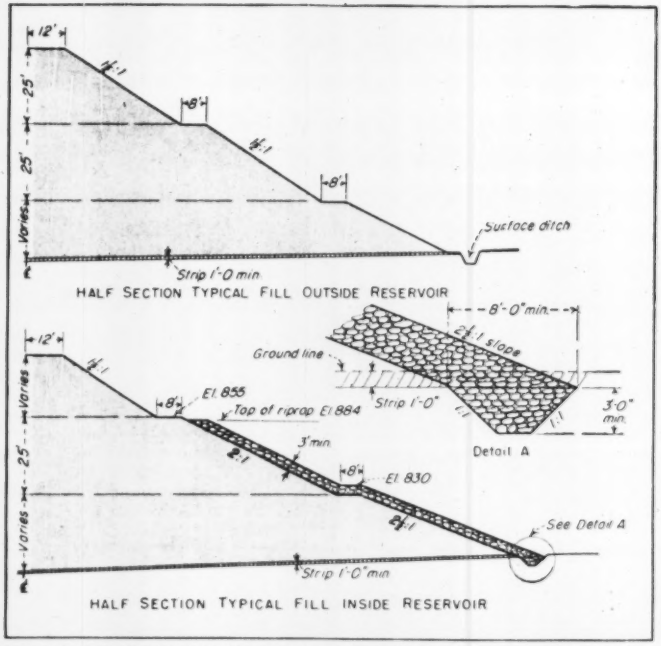


SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL consists of four buildings arranged in two groups connected by an enclosed passageway. Photo shows steel frame of gymnasium and reinforced concrete frame of main classroom building.



FILLS WERE BUILT in 6-in. layers under carefully controlled moisture and density conditions, using large earthmoving equipment to assist in getting the desired compaction, as part of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Paul Ry. relocation around Allatoona Dam.

Big Fills on Railroad Relocation Built by Modern Compaction Methods

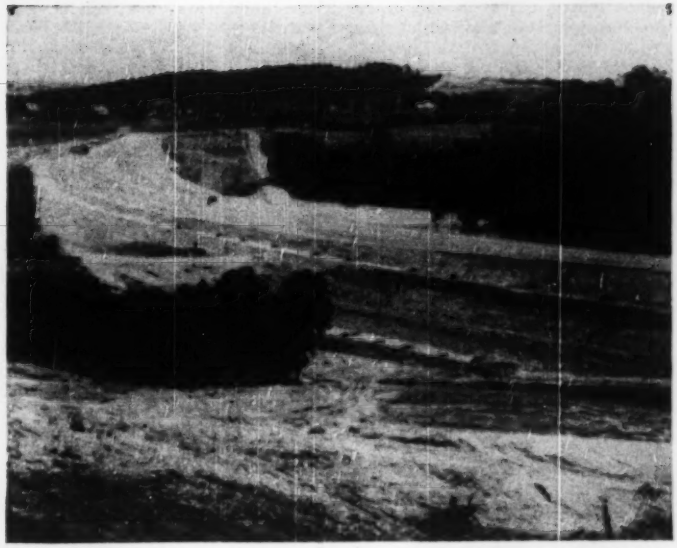


EMBANKMENT SECTIONS were designed to insure stability and to reduce maintenance costs resulting from erosion of the slopes.

REFINEMENTS in fill building that are expected to pay large dividends in reduced maintenance costs were applied in relocating the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Paul Ry. around the reservoir behind Allatoona Dam.

Construction of that dam on the Etowah River near Cartersville, Ga., made necessary the relocation of 5.7 miles of the railway to replace trackage that will be inundated when the reservoir behind the dam is filled. In this relocation, 1.6 miles of distance was saved, curvature was reduced from a maximum of 6 deg to a maximum of 2 deg, and the number of curves was cut from 27 with a total central angle of 968 deg to five with a total of 240 deg. However, both deep cuts and high fills were required to produce these savings.

Large quantities of earth and rock were taken out of the cuts, but much of the earth was poor embankment material because it ranged from silts to fire clays. The most abundant soil was a light, fluffy micaceous clay loam. Consequently, much of the micaceous material taken from the cuts had to be put in center of the fill and material from the borrow pits placed on the outside 12 ft of the fills to hold the unstable material in place. Or, in the words of one of the engineers: "Build-



ONE OF THE COMPACTED EMBANKMENTS nearing completion. The fill was about 15 ft below grade when this photo was taken.

ing a form out of good material from the borrow pits to keep the mica soil in place."

• **Building the fills**—Typical sections are shown in the sketch on the opposite page. Where fills are partly submerged in the reservoir the wider base and flatter slopes shown in this drawing were specified.

Slopes on embankments outside the reservoir are 1 on 1½ to a depth of 50 ft below subgrade and are 1 on 2 for the lower parts of fills over 50 ft high. Berms 8 ft wide were built at intervals of 25 ft below subgrade to add to the stability of the embankments and to reduce maintenance due to erosion.

Slopes on submerged banks are 1 on 2½ from ground level up to average pool level, 1 on 2 from that point to the level of the 50-year flood, and 1 on 1½ from there to the top. Fills are 25 ft wide at subgrade level.

Slopes in the reservoir areas are protected from wave damage by a 3-ft thick blanket of dumped riprap up to the 50-year flood level.

Fills were built in 6-in. layers and compacted to 95 percent of standard Proctor density. Only the better materials from the cuts or stable materials from borrowpits were used in the outer part of each layer, poorer materials from the cuts being placed only in the central zone.

After each layer had been spread the whole area was rolled with sheepsfoot rollers until the rollers "walked out". Sprinkling was done during dry weather to obtain the desired moisture content, and in wet weather, the layers of fill material were disked to dry them out, if necessary.

Fill rolling was carried on continuously in three 8-hr shifts. In order to keep the equipment employed efficiently, several fills were placed under construction at the same time. On the grading work, the contractor worked an 11-hr day shift and a 12-hr night shift, working only the scrapers at night.

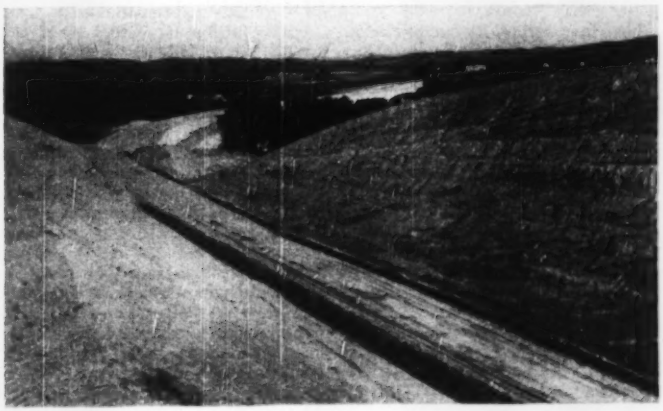
• **Fill tops stabilized**—The top three feet of all fills was mixed with sand added at the rate of one-third yard of sand to every yard of dirt, the sand being disked in, after which the layer was sprinkled and rolled until the rollers walked out. This was done to keep ballast from penetrating down into the fill.

Similar treatment was given to the bottom of cuts, where excavation was carried to 4 ft below grade.

All earth slopes were planted with Kudzu, an oriental vine, soon after completion. Next spring they will be planted with Italian rye and sericea lespedeza.

This work was carried out under the direction of J. C. Aker, chief engineer of the N. C. & St. P. Ry. R. W. Mabe is assistant chief engineer, Frank R. Patton, resident engineer and Dan Barge Jr. assistant resident engineer.

The contractor was the Oman Construction Co., with R. W. Kirby project manager and W. M. Smith engineer.



THIS DEEP CUT provided much of the fill material. Cuts were excavated to 4 ft below grade and then brought to grade with stabilized material.

Army Tests Survey Tower

A lightweight triangulation tower, suitable for transportation by air, has recently come through initial tests and will be subjected to further proving by the Army Engineer Research and Development Laboratories.

Designed for use in military surveys, the tower is of variable height—from 37 to 103 ft—and is of aluminum. Actually two mutually indpendent towers in one, the outer tower (113 ft) is for the surveyor, whose movements cannot disturb the delicate adjustments of the survey instruments mounted on the inner tower. The structural members weigh only 4,165 lb, as compared to 6,640 lb for the standard World War II steel tower of the same height.

CLEAN STREAMS—This silt-impounding dam, at New Kernsville, on the Schuylkill River, is indicative of one type of project Pennsylvania's General State Authority is building. Whatever the type of public structure that is needed . . .

Pennsylvania Authorities Solve Works-Financing Puzzle

Quarter billion public works program, without general tax increases, has provoked a political fight, but it includes state projects from mental hospitals to stream cleaning

John Baer
ENR's Correspondent

PENNSYLVANIA is ready to bet a quarter of a billion dollars—or more—that it has solved the problem of raising capital for vast public works programs that can't be delayed.

And it's using a relatively painless, politically astute device to raise the money without raising other than nuisance taxes—or tangling with the state's constitutional requirement of a vote on any state debt over $1,000,000.

• **Politics only problem**—Pennsylvania is using authorities—three of them—to perform a wide variety of tasks all the way from building schools to cleaning rivers. There's a certain amount of intra-party GOP politics involved and there is still some bitter complaint to be heard about the nuisance taxes. On the other hand, though, the state is in a position to remedy institutional shortcomings which were ancient political issues a decade ago. And on the record so far, it's getting "extremely cheap" money.

The three authorities operate independently of the state and each other, although two of them are closely allied. Each borrows and builds on its own, then rents structures to state or local governing bodies until they are paid for.

• **Used locally, too**—Actually, so deep has Pennsylvania plunged into the authority device that there are about 200 local authorities in existence—aimed at bypassing legal restrictions under which governing bodies no longer feel they can operate successfully. The three state authorities are:

1. The General State Authority. It may issue up to $175,000,000 in revenue bonds for the construction of new mental hospitals, rehabilitation of state teachers' colleges, cleaning the Schuylkill River and remodeling or constructing other public buildings. So far, GSA has earmarked more than $100,000,000 for specific projects, and it has sold a $30,000,000 issue of serial debentures (3-25 years) at a net average interest cost of 1.74 percent.

2. The State Public School Building Authority. It may build school buildings for local school boards which are unable to finance them, and has no limit on the amount of revenue bonds it may issue. It has approved projects valued at $18,000,000, has requests for $73,000,000 of construction.

3. The State Highway and Bridge Authority. It may issue up to $40,000,000 in revenue bonds for the construction of 22 large highway and bridge projects. (There'll be an additional $14,000,000 in federal aid funds available for this program, too.) It has sold a $15,000,000 serial bond issue (4 to 12-year maturity) at a net interest cost of 1.25 percent.

• **Two share leadership**—The General State and Highway and Bridge Authorities are very similar. The top level personnel of each—except for chief engineers—is identical. The School Building Authority has its own staff.

Authorities aren't entirely new to Pennsylvania. There was a General State Authority in 1937, organized by the only Democratic governor,

George H. Earle (1934-1938), since Civil War Days. It was terminated in 1945, and its outstanding bonds liquidated for $47,000,000. The new authority was established last year, after considerable intra-GOP legislative struggle, at the insistence of Gov. James H. Duff. His motivation was the ineffectiveness of his stepped-up state building program—$80,000,000 for mental hospitals, $35,000,000 for Schuylkill River desilting, etc.

When it developed this program wasn't meeting demands—and that new taxes would be difficult—Duff reverted to the General State Authority, killed by his predecessor, and the Highway and Bridge Authority. After a severe legislative fight, Duff got his program.

• **Courts upheld SBA**—The School Building Authority antedated the other two on the statute books, but a stormy series of legal tests delayed its effective date until the time the GSA and HBA went into effect. Its law was amended somewhat last year.

The governor, state treasurer, auditor general, senate president and minority leader, speaker of the house and its minority leader are members of all three authority boards. Various other cabinet officers are members of one or more authority boards.

Russell C. Bartman heads the School Building Authority. W. W. Behrens is its chief engineer. SBA leaves the design of school buildings to the school boards for whom it builds. It allows local officials to choose their own architects, aiming at keeping decisions at home as much as possible. The authority does inspect structures.

• **School credit tighter**—SBA securities vary in nature as investments from the GSA or HBA issues. Impoverished school districts (mainly in the coal fields) have been a Pennsylvania problem for years and the sole backing for these issues is the rentals for schools. Consequently, SBA faced twice the interest rate for its first issue that was achieved by the other two authorities in the open market. SBA's first issue went to the Public School Employes Retirement Fund.

SBA requires approval of all its buildings by the state Department of Public Instruction. The department not only approves the facilities but determines whether the district can afford them. Thereafter, the authority will acquire the site if necessary, pay the architect's fee and even furnish and equip the structure. It limits contingency charges to 8 percent.

• **Accelerated amortization**—The authority proposes also to require that rentals amount to 120 percent of the principal and interest requirements on the bonds charged to a project. These rentals enter a sinking fund whence interest is paid and from which a fund is established equal to two years' interest on the bonds. The remainder is available for bond redemption. On this basis, a school district can amortize its debt in about 32 years.

GSA and HBA are headed by Oscar N. Lindahl, retired financial vice president of Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corp. Allen F. Jones is chief engineer for GSA, Samuel P. Longstreet for HBA. Each authority pays its people generally more than the going scale for other state workers. At that, GSA is having some difficulty filling technical jobs. Commissioning of private engineers and architects for 208 jobs created a tight personnel squeeze.

• **Many projects possible**—GSA is empowered to build, improve, furnish, acquire, maintain and operate sewers and treatment works for state institutions, commonwealth buildings, state arsenals, armories and other military works, airports, state institutions school buildings, highways and bridges tunnels, pools and lakes, low-head dams, river works, desilting dams and impounding basins. Its act, though, expressly prohibits it from undertaking any project—other than bridges which might compete with toll bridges—which would duplicate or compete with any enterprise serving substantially the same purpose. It has the power of eminent domain, but no taxing power. Its revenues are solely from rentals. Its bonds may not exceed 30 year maturities, their interest six percent, nor their redemption prices 105 percent of principal.

• **Bond prospects good**—State fiscal officers figure the market for GSA's future issues will be good. They eye the pension funds, more and more of which will be accumulated, as one source of purchasers. Its leases may not exceed 30 years, rentals must amortize the cost within that time. GSA may be thrown into receivership—upon default of interest or principal payments—but for the purpose of management only. Its property may neither be assigned nor mortgaged.

HBA is governed generally by the same rules, but the Highway Department is its only customer. Its leases run 30 years.

GSA has been the first of the three to get into construction. It took over going state construction projects valued at $14,000,000 before the end of 1949, and opened bids on the first of its own projects just before Christmas. Final plans for 101 projects are due in its hands by May.

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What Lessons have been learned from operation of contact-aeration sewage plants? What is the best design basis? What efficiency can be expected? Here are some of the answers as . . . . .

A Developer Comments on The Design of Contact Aeration Plants

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THE ARTICLE "Compact Sewage Plant for 160 People" by R. W. Simpson (ENR, Nov. 10, 1949, p.27) gives cause for a discussion of changes in design of contact-aeration plants that have occurred in the last five years. It seems reasonable—as a result of operating experience—that former design criteria should be revised to reflect accurately improved process efficiency.

• **Bases for efficiency**—As a result of a study of considerable operating data, I have found that efficiency of contact-aeration treatment is dependent on: Total amount of biological film, which is proportional to area of contact; effective passage distance that each sewage particle must take in its helical path through the aeration tank; and treatability of sewage.

In more recent plants of this type, sewage is made to follow a helical path between contact surfaces as it passes from the acrator inlet to outlet. Such aeration is accomplished in the "Griffith tank." In it, circulation can be regulated to increase number of passages which sewage makes between stationery contact surfaces. Acrobic conditions are, of course, assumed in considering design criteria.

• **Treatment efficiency expected**—To determine normal treatment efficiency for a two-stage plant handling typical domestic sewage, the graph may be used, where acrators are of similar design and detention periods for settling tanks are as recommended by me (ENR Jan 28, 1943, p.60). The curve formula is:

$$Y = \frac{100}{1 + 0.06xk}$$ in which

Y = Percent BOD reduction by the acrator and its settling unit, x = Pounds BOD applied to acrator per day per 1,000 sq ft of contact surface per 1,000 ft effective passage at average flow rate. Up-to-date designs contemplate 1,000 ft of effective passage for each hour that sewage is in the acrator. k = Treatability factor, is unity for this case. My experience in treating waste from processing milk, beans and corn indicate that these wastes are less treatable than domestic sewage.

The curve (next page) is consistent with efficiency graphs developed by the National Research Council (Original Report of the Subcommittee on Sewage Treatment in Military Installations, 1946) for military installations equipped with perforated-pipe diffusers. The report points out that such diffusers are less effective than porous tubes, and that passage distance for such similar plants can be expressed in terms of the detention period.

My suggested efficiency curve is consistent with the findings of Imhoff and Fair (SEWAGE TREATMENT, John Wiley & Sons, Inc. p. 142). They state the principal advantage of contact acrators: "The units can be designed to accomplish almost any desired degree of partial treatment. For example, in one hour of aeration about one half the BOD—that can be taken out by complete treatment in 4 to 6 hr—is removed."

Because acrators are continuously seeding and are subjected to toxic wastes—such as digester supernatant liquid—these factors influence selection of a typical performance curve. Dr. Karl Imhoff—one of the early pioneers with contact acrators—has shown (TESCHENBUCH DER STADTENTWASSERUNG) that a contact acrator matures in one to two days and is relatively free from upset by toxic industrial wastes.

• **Design Criteria**—Simpson states that the Texas Health Dept. specifies only 82 sq ft of contact-plate surface per pound of applied BOD. But G. H. Herzik, Jr. indicates that the department uses design criteria (Sewage Treatment by Contact Aeration, PUBLIC WORKS, Aug. 1948) recommended by me (ENR Jan. 28, 1943, p.60). On this basis, Texas' requirements for a typical domestic is 82 sq ft x 1.5 (peak-load factor) or 123 instead of 82 sq ft of surface per pound of BOD applied daily. For small plants, such as Triangle, Va., the lift station, laundry-day peaks and other factors would indicate a factor of 250 percent.

• **Air Requirements**—Another important factor mentioned by Simpson is amount of air required to satisfy BOD in acrators. He has assumed oxygenation efficiency of air diffusers, which varies with rate of air diffusion, temperature, dissolved-oxygen deficiency, surface agitation and other more complex factors.

It also seems reasonable to assume that DO must be provided to satisfy ultimate or both stages of BOD, which is considerably greater than that exerted in a bottle in five-days incubation as used in Simpson's calculations of air requirements.

Consideration must be given also to amount of organic matter removed with secondary sludge and amount of sludge which is decomposed and escapes as gas without utilizing DO from treated sewage. Valuable work has been done on this subject (The Methane Fermentation of Carbohydrates, G. E. Symons and A. M. Buswell, JOUR. AMER. CHEMICAL SOC 55:2028:1933; The Natural Purification of River Muds and Pollutional Sediments, G. M. Fair et al, SEWAGE WORKS JOUR., 13:1209:1941; and Natural Purification Characteristics, F. W. Kittrell et al. SWJ Nov.-1947).

Plant criteria and costs

The article suggests additional comments on plant features, design criteria and construction costs that will be helpful to sanitary engineers. Among these items are:

Although the isometric drawing indicates a by-pass, it was not built at the insistence of the Virginia Health Department. This prevents discharge of untreated wastes.

Because it caused odor nuisance and served no useful purpose, the bar screen was removed two weeks after the plant was completed and put into operation.

A flume trap was installed on the gas-vent pipe.

An overflow pipe was included to discharge digester-supernatent liquid to primary-settling-tank influent. At

more recent plants supernatant liquid is discharged to primary-unit effluent —a modification that contributes to increased settling efficiency.

• **Plant Capacity**—The Triangle, Va. plant was designed to treat domestic sewage from 160 people. But the housing project it serves is equipped with laundry facilities so that on washing days the plant is subjected to excessive loads. As a result of observing part-time operation, it was found that large amounts of digester supernatant liquid would have to be treated without chemicals.

Added to the adverse effect of excessive lift-pumping rates, these two factors indicated a much more liberal design per capita served than would be necessary for a larger gravity-flow installation.

• **Loading and Efficiency Curve**—Data for this curve were assembled by G. H. Herzik, Jr. (PUBLIC WORKS, Aug. 1948). These data were not recommended by Herzik as a basis for a reliable design curve. His article also indicated that amount of air consumed was estimated and not actually measured. Consequently the writer questions the validity of points used for the curve.

• **Maximum BOD reduction**—Simpson's curve suggested that maximum BOD reduction will be less than 90 percent for aerators. Even at Army installations—equipped with perforated-pipe diffusers—reductions in excess of 95 percent are reported as typical for properly operated contact-aeration plants (War Dept. Technical Manual TM-665 1945; and Original Report of the National Research Council Subcommittee on Sewage Treatment in Military Installations, 1946).

Tests made at the McGregor plant (Sewage Treatment at McGregor, Texas, W. P. Walker, Jr. Field Reports, Texas Health Dept. Sept. 1943) covered only a three-day period and include no actual measurements of sewage flow or air delivered. Also at the time of test the primary settling unit was extremely septic.

Another series of tests on this plant (An Experimental Study of the Hays-Schulhoff-Griffith Aeration Processes of Sewage Treatment, Louis Pachon, Graduate Thesis, Texas University, June 1944) showed that actual air usage required to produce same overall efficiency was less than one-half of that estimated by Walker. Plate surface was also shown to be less than Walker's estimate. This difference would affect the efficiency curve.

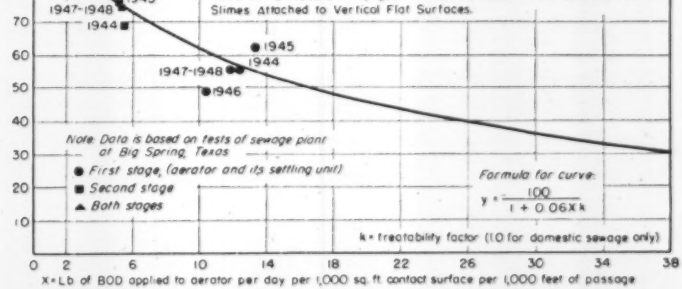
These tests revealed that plate area, taken from the plans by Walker, was changed during construction.

From these facts, it can be seen that Simpson's calculated loadings were not based on measured flow and that detention periods are likely to be inaccurate.

Walker's field report is excellent for a general appraisal of the process. He did not, however, intend that his estimates should be utilized as actual measurements.

The writer feels that the McGregor field report is typical of those made for the other four plants, with the possible exception of the Big Spring plant. Each of these reports accurately shows overall BOD reduction during a very short test period but most of other reported data was taken from plans and specifications (changed in some instances during construction).

Unless the true purpose and coverage of the field reports is understood and clearly shown, other design curves may be suggested without evaluation of the operational data on the assumption that it has been carefully investigated and found acceptable.



CONTACT-AERATION TREATMENT EFFICIENCY for a two-stage plant handling only domestic sewage may be estimated from this curve.

• **Construction Costs**—Simpson's conclusions as to construction costs for this type of plant do not appear to be consistent with prices for similar plants built in Virginia and Maryland. The Triangle project had a high per-capita cost but consideration must be given to its size, over-design for laundry loads, and over-capacity lift station. Costs of small sewage plants, furthermore, are greatly influenced by the designer's skill and experience. Costly concrete structures can often be simplified.

Some construction costs for so-called "Griffith treatment plants" are:

1. Manassas, Va., licensed to serve 3,500 persons with semi-automatic operation, control house, laboratory, and chlorination—$29 per capita.

2. Vienna, Va. licensed to serve 2,500 persons with semi-automatic operation, control house, laboratory, and chlorination—$25 per capita.

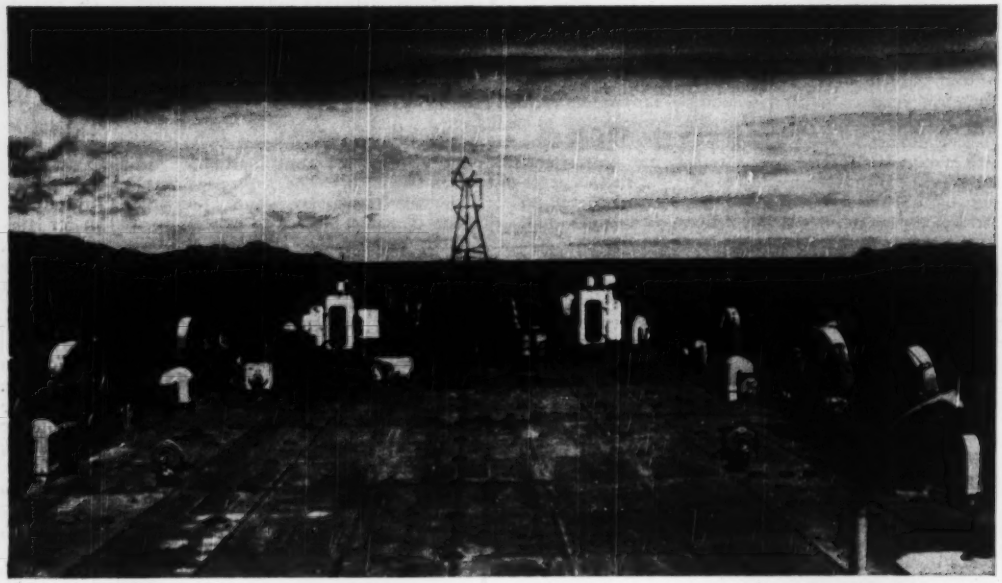
3. Twin Brook Development, Md. licensed to serve 1,000 persons with hypo-chlorinator, blower house and operator house but not including rock excavation—$25 per capita.

Unit costs include fees and license charged for the right to use the Hays-Schulhoff-Griffith contact-aeration process. The three plants are over-designed on the basis of Texas' practice, a fact that accounts for some of the added cost.

• **Conclusions**—Simpson has shown that the process is sound, capable of high efficiency, simple to operate and free of odor and fly nuisance. He has indicated (first reference above) that operating labor cost is low but that first and power costs are high. He does not show, however, how much of the first cost represents over-sized lift station or how much of the power cost should be charged against the lift station and other consumers on the meter.

I also feel that Simpson's article proves that complete-treatment plants of this type are practical for small developments. Furthermore, it justifies my conclusions regarding performance of this process (ENR Jan. 28, 1943, p 60).

These investigations have convinced me that air requirements cannot be correctly determined with the present knowledge of the subject. They can, however, be estimated with reasonable accuracy after determining rate of oxygenation, of oxygen utilization, and of deposition of sludge—if mechanical factors involved in each instance are properly evaluated.



TRANSIT TARGET mounted on bow of LST is covered with two-colored cloth when used in shore-ship triangulation to plot distant island coastlines.

Shore-Ship Triangulation Speeds Island Surveys

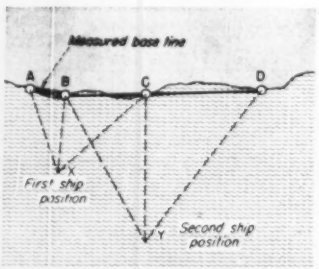
In post-hostilities mapping of South Pacific islands, the Army's 30th Engineer Base Topographic Battalion has plotted dense jungle shores by shore-ship triangulation—sighting a target carried on a drifting LST (Landing Ship Tank).

This method required that only the nearest adjacent instrument positions be visible from any given instrument position on shore. Using three shore positions simultaneously, it is estimated to have saved two-thirds the time and cost of a conventional traverse in the rugged, roadless terrain of the islands.

Landing craft—readily available as temporary off-shore triangulation points—mounted a cloth-covered target that could be easily viewed from any three consecutive control points ashore, such as A, B and C. Naturally, the LST drifted with wind and tide; but, by synchronizing shots on the target by radio communication among instrumentmen, errors of timing were minimized.

• **Procedure**—To start: Line AB (see sketch) was measured as a base line with an astronomically determined location and azimuth. Angle ABC was turned and measured by the instrument set up at B. Then transits at A, B and C were sighted simultaneously on the off-shore target X. From X they were turned respectively through angles XAB, XBC and XCB. With these measured and the angle ABC and side AB known, BC could be calculated.

BC then became the known distance in triangles formed by sighting ship position Y from B, C and D. Thus, CD was found by repeating the procedure outlined above. And so, subsequent points along the coastline were located by sighting further ship positions.



EACH SHIP POSITION was sighted simultaneously from three adjacent shore points. Angles were measured and triangles solved.

At each position there were 16 sets of readings made—time of each set being controlled closely by radio contact. This made possible 16 separate calculations of line BC with the ship drifting about X, 16 solution for CD with the ship at Y. In these groups of 16 independent calculations, it was seldom necessary to rule out more than two or three results as completely erroneous.

All others were averaged to obtain final values.

• **Accuracy of results**—In general, accuracy of third order surveying was bettered. After occupying about 30 ship positions, the survey was tide into a measure base line of known astronomic azimuth.

Shore-ship triangulation was used for stretches of coastline 100 miles and more in length. Together with relatively few in-shore positions and elevations, some level lines and short traverse lines to picture points, it produced adequate survey data for accurate large-scale maps.

As battalion commander, Lt. Col. W. C. Hall was in charge of the project.

READER COMMENT

"100 Percent Right"

Sir: Your editorial, "Salute to Success" in the News-Record of February 16th with respect to the seventy-five year contracting record of Winston Brothers Company of Minneapolis is a splendid tribute to a distinguished organization.

You ask "What are the requirements of long life in the construction business?" and answer that "A standout for first place is integrity—the will to do a job according to promise come what may; the constant attempt to exceed promise." Then, you mention the great value of a slowly built up skill.

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Carbide-Insert Bits

Sir: Referring to "Carbide-Insert Rock Bits" (ENR, Feb. 9, p. 35) the removable rock bit made with tungsten carbide inserts brazed in place has established itself in the rock drilling industry beyond any doubt. The number of sizes made are continually increasing with the range extending from 1¼ in. to 3 in. for bits in general use with the most popular sizes between 1⅝ in. and 2 in.

It has been estimated that the carbide insert bit should give a total footage life ratio of 100 to 1 against the older type of multi-use steel removable bit in order to pay out, and this ratio has been obtained in a number of properties. In other locations, the carbide insert rock bit is used apparently with complete satisfaction by the operators at a ratio of only 30 to 1. This indicates that the total footage obtained is not the sole answer as to whether the carbide insert bit should or should not be used, but that there are several other sides to the question, which must be studied carefully by the operator before making his final decision.

Maximum footages for individual bits cannot be obtained without careful preliminary planning and watchfulness all along the line. The practice of drilling constant-gauge holes to depths of 20 and 30 ft and more with single constant-gauge bits has largely been discontinued. Pinching, which invariably resulted with its excessive chipping of the carbide insert, materially reduced bit life; also the continual changing of the carbide insert bit from one steel to another reduced thread life considerably and increased chances of incidental damage due to wrench slippage and hammering.

• **Alloy steel not needed**—It was thought at first that alloy hollow drill steel would have to be used in order to stand up comparably with the life of the carbide insert, but actual practice has shown that the standard analysis carbon hollow drill steel previously in general use, if properly fabricated and heat-treated according to published instructions, will do as good a job and in many cases a better job than the alloy hollow drill steel. Because of this there seems to be little point in recommending the alloy hollow drill steel for the public unless the operator himself has a particular interest in using it.

The importance of proper regrinding of the dulled carbide insert bit cannot be overstressed. Drilling with a dull bit on which a flat of ⅛ in. to ¼ in. has developed on the carbide cutting edge will not only slow up the drilling, but will also result in excessive breakage of the bits, steels and drilling equipment parts. At the same time, excessive grinding of the carbide inserts will result in a loss of life of the carbide from 20 to 40%. For instance, grinding of the carbide so as to result in excessive heat followed by quick cooling in water usually gives 100% failure. The point is, the grinding machine operator must be a person who can be depended upon to follow a sequence of operations laid out for him by someone who knows the process. The equipment, too, must be in good repair, with fixtures properly designed for the purpose. The carbide-insert bit because of its potential value as a high-class drilling tool deserves to be treated as such.

• **Accountability necessary**—This same line of reasoning applies to the use of the bit. In any drilling operation, it is an excellent idea that some one individual be charged with the control and proper use of the carbide-insert bits, and if the property is large enough, a supervisor of bits can be appointed. A further suggestion is that each bit should be identified in some manner and the individual bits be charged to individual drill operators. Responsibility for performance is thus established and we know that where this has been tried greatly increased life of carbide insert bits has resulted.

In certain properties, bit life has been doubled merely by switching drilling crews, but using the same bits with the same equipment in the same headings. This shows that labor conditions have more to do with the successful operation of these bits than any other one thing. At the same time, we must never lose sight of the fact that the carbide-insert rock bit is of necessity an assembled product and, therefore, is mathematically susceptible to greater variation in total operational life than is the older single-piece multi-use steel bit.

Manufacturers of the bits and manufacturers of the carbide inserts are all striving to improve the quality of their product and the bit users can expect continuing improvement, so that ultimately with their cooperation, the carbide insert rock bit will attain the position for which it was developed, that of a high grade precision-made drilling tool.

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Practice by Corporations

Sir: It may be of interest to engineers to know that the State Corporation Commission of the Commonwealth of Virginia, by an informal opinion, considers engineering to be a profession. On this premise charters to corporations to engage in engineering will no longer be granted.

The engineers and architects board was established in Virginia in 1920, but charters to corporations to engage in engineering and also architecture were granted for many years after this, and one prominent firm has a charter granted in 1934. The tide is slowly turning but has it the power to make the grade?

It would be interesting to know the percentage of the technical engineering business in the state that is performed by corporations and the percentage of business performed by professional engineers, as this is the measure of the status of engineering as a profession. So long as corporations can step between the owner and the profession, engineering will be a business and not a profession.

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Richmond, Va.

BOOK REVIEWS

Concrete Manual Revised

CONCRETE MANUAL—Fifth Edition. Prepared by the engineers of the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation under the direction of Leslie N. McClellan, chief engineer. 489 pp. Obtainable from the Bureau of Reclamation, Federal Center, Denver (Attention 841), or the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D. C. $1.75.

Numerous changes have been made in this manual since the fourth edition was issued in 1942, and there have been several additions. These include: instructions in the use of air-entrainment in concrete; data on the occurrence and use of pozzolans and their effect on concrete; new information on the occurrence of alkali-aggregate reactions in concrete and on means for preventing concrete deterioration; and new procedures for concrete repair, for sampling sealing compounds and mastic fillers, and for determining the air content of concrete.

The pocket size and flexible binding have been retained to facilitate field use of the manual.

Heating and Air Conditioning

HEATING, VENTILATING AND AIR-CONDITIONING FUNDAMENTALS—Second Edition, by W. H. Severns and J. R. Fellows. 666 pp. John Wiley & Sons, New York; Chapman & Hall, London. $6.50.

RADIANT HEATING—Second Edition, by T. Napier Adlam. 504 pp. The Industrial Press, New York, N. Y. $6.

The new editions of both books have been revised to bring them up to date and to include additional material. In the first, nearly 200 pages have been added on warm-air furnace heating, hot-water heating, panel heating, refrigeration, air purification, estimating cooling loads and air conditioning. Also, data and design methods for panel heating and for summer and all-year air-conditioning have been incorporated. Additions to the second book include information on snow melting and electrical radiant heating.

An Amazing Construction Feat

THE FIRST TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD By John Debo Galloway. 319 pp. Simmons-Boardman Publishing Corp., New York 7. $5.

To an engineer interested in early railroads, this is a fact-filled fascinating account of the building of the Central Pacific and Union Pacific railroads. The author, an honorary member of ASCE, compiled the text as a hobby in the years just preceding his death in 1943. Much of the information came from files of the Union Pacific not available to earlier authors.

The story of these railroads has been told many times. However, few authors approached the Herculean project with the same appreciation of the problems involved as has Galloway. You are left with the firm belief that building this first transcontinental railroad was truly the greatest engineering feat of the 19th Century.

The book is well organized. After a general three-chapter introduction, each railroad is systematically analyzed. Chapters for each discuss the men involved, the company organization, the location problems and the construction job.

Manual for Contractors

THE BUSINESS OF HOME BUILDING—Edited by B. K. Johnstone and C. E. Joern. 286 pp. McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, Toronto and London. $4.

Twelve authors experienced in building construction contributed chapters on the Business Side of Housing. Topics treated include land development, financing, job organization, cost control, sales and law. The book is intended as a guide to the small builder.

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THE FIRST TRANSCONTINENTAL RAILROAD—By John Debo Galloway. 319 pp. Simmons-Boardman Publishing Corp., New York 7. $5.00.

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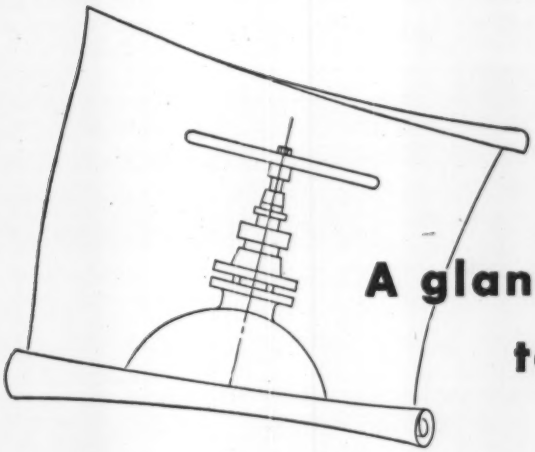

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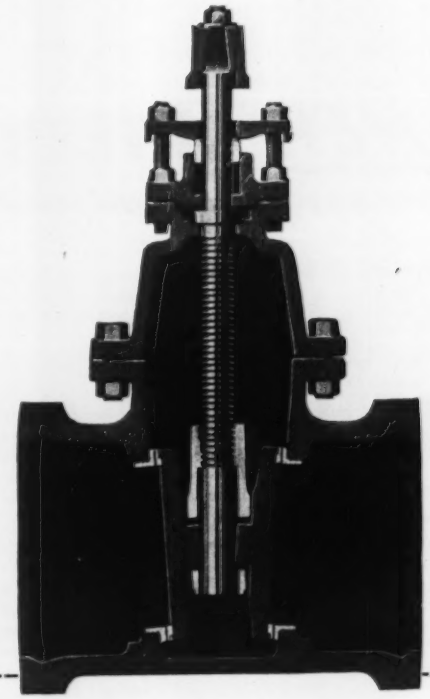

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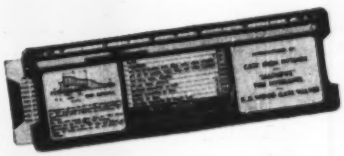

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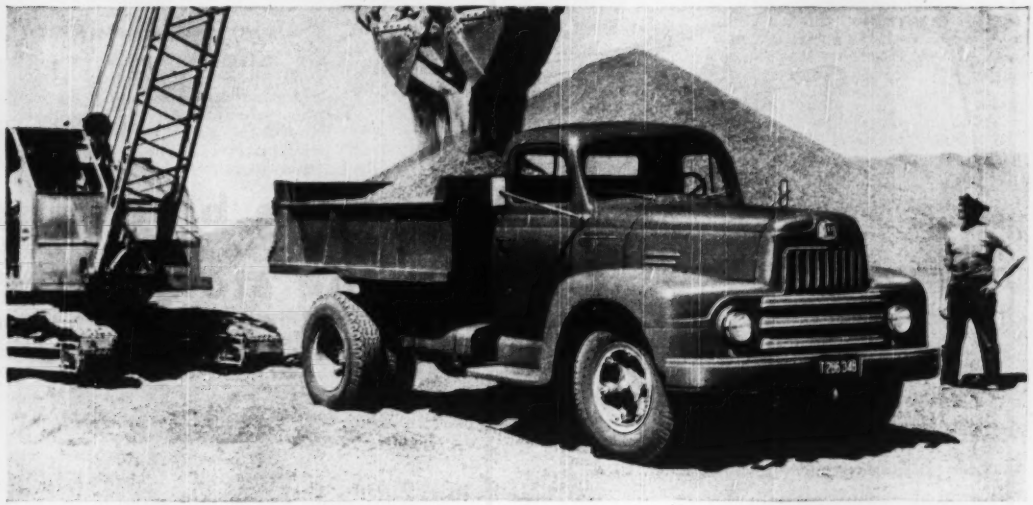

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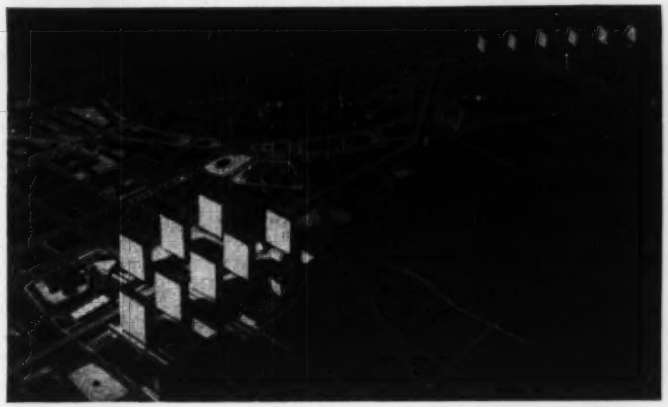

PROPOSED RIO BUILDINGS—Above is a reproduction of the architect's model showing the buildings projected on the Morro de Santo Antonio site, including the 2,600-ft-long, 12-story apartment building, with its six right angles, and the eight 30-story business buildings.

To remove 210-ft. hill in Rio face-lifting job

A considerable construction job which will greatly alter the face of the beautiful but traffic-bound city of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, is scheduled to start soon. It involves these four operations:

The demolition of the Morro de Santo Antonio, one of Rio's downtown hills; dumping the material along the shoreline to make an express highway; erection of a 2-mile elevated concrete highway through the place where the hill stood; construction of large apartment and office buildings, parks and underground garages on the flattened and filled in areas.

The project, submitted to interested Brazilian and foreign contractors for bids, is a variation of one proposed some time ago. (ENR Nov. 20, 1947, vol. p. 700) The most important change is that the route through the business area is to be elevated instead of at ground level.

The hill to be removed is 210 ft high and its base covers about 67 acres. An estimated 6,500,000 cu yd of material, 20 percent rock, will have to be moved. On the ground thus cleared, it is proposed to erect eight 30-story office buildings, one 12-story apartment building 2,600 ft long, and many 2 and 3-story business buildings. The long apartment house, for 8,000 people, will cover four city blocks and have six right-angled bends. Cross-traffic will pass beneath it.

The excavated earth and rock will be dumped into the harbor along the shoreline on Avenida Beira Mar and Praia do Flamingo, making a new strip 550 ft wide. On this fill a new highway will be built to ease traffic between the business center and the suburbs of Copacabana, Ipaneman and Leblon.

The southern residential district will have a rapid automobile link by means of an overhead highway to be known as Avenida Norte-Sul. It will be two miles long and 78 ft wide, providing three traffic lanes in each direction.

In tearing down the Morro de Santo Antonio, the convent of Santo Antonio on one slope and old stone arches of a former aqueduct will be spared.

Design of the whole project was made by City Architect Alfonso Eduardo Reidy.

Verse Reservoir in Ruhr to be finished this year

Work on the earthen dam with concrete core for the Verse water reservoir in the Ruhr Basin, Germany, with a capacity of 25,200 af, will be finished this year. With the new Bigge reservoirs, when completed, this will augment the stored volume for the district by nearly 50 percent.

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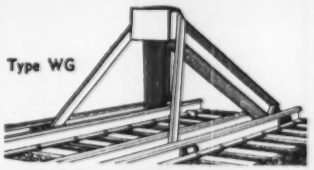

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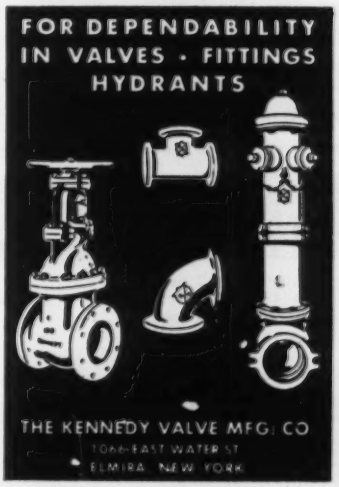

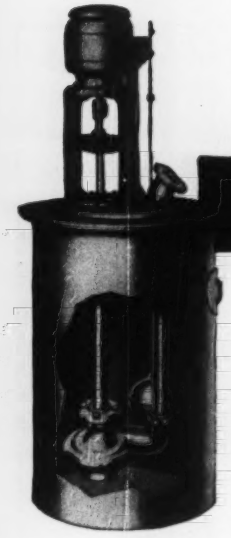

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At present in Germany, the earthen dam with concrete core is preferred to the masonry gravity wall type dam because of lower cost, increased stability, greater safety, and the possibilities for camouflage against air attack. The Sorpe water reservoir in this district was built in the same manner as the Verse project and it remained undamaged during several bombardments in the war.

To prevent water passing through the wall and under the bottom, a concrete apron is built several feet into the rock and both sides of the concrete wall are waterproofed. The earthen bed, 3 ft wide on top and 32 ft 9 in. wide at the bottom, is composed of selected gravelly clay, while on the other side mortared packings of broken stones with drainage pipes are built up to absorb any water leaking through the clay bed and concrete core.

The river embankment has a grade of 1 to 2½, and is paved by stone facing in cement. The grade of the inshore part of the earthen dam is 1 to 1½ to 1 to 3. Vertical expansion joints 40 to 50 ft. apart are arranged in the concrete wall, while the top of the dam is protected against inundations by elevated slopes. Any movements of the water can be observed and checked with the aid of shafts and a chamber built inside the concrete wall along the whole length and near the bottom.

The poured plain concrete core of Verse will have a total length of 1050 ft; the width of the top 5 ft 10 in.; bottom, 19 ft 8 in.; its volume, 72,000 cu yd. The dam will have a top width of 52 ft 6 in., bottom 1033 ft; height over rock foundation 197 ft., and total volume, 1,770,000 cu yd.

Filling of the reservoir will not be finished till the end of 1952, as the average yearly inflow is 14,600 af.—Wm. Lesser

Irrigation

Colombia—Utah Construction Co. of San Francisco, Calif., Sociedad Industrial de Ingenieria y Construcciones (Sideico) of Bogota, and Olarte, Ospina, Arias y Payan of Bogota have been awarded the contract for construction of the irrigation works in the Coello River valley, Tolima Department. Cost is estimated at 8,000,000 pesos ($4,120,000). About 37,000 acres will be irrigated. The project is expected to be completed within 27 months.

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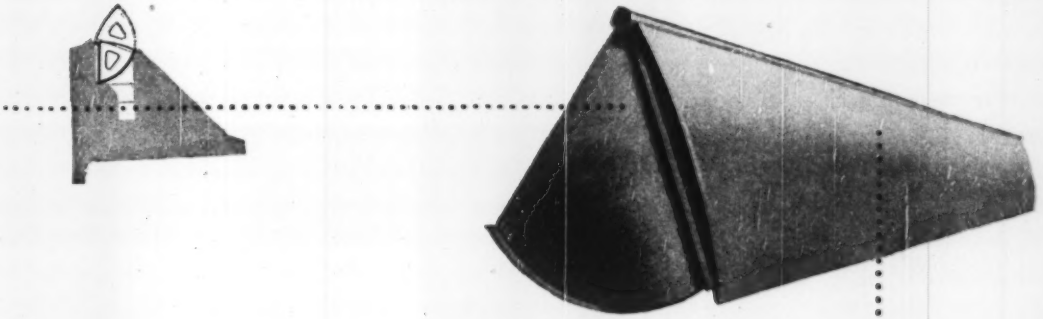

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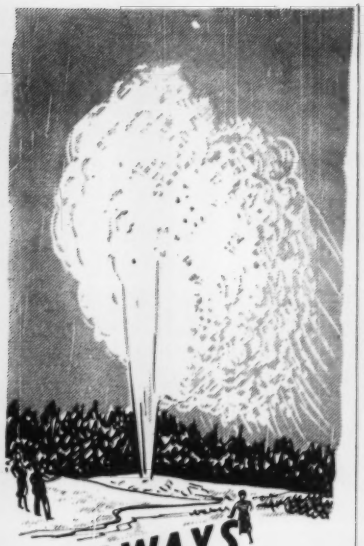

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MEN AND JOBS

N. M. Gamble has been appointed civil engineer of Brentwood, Mo. He formerly was employed by the Wabash Railroad.

Milton H. Beuhler, Jr., and **J. C. Daniel,** rodent specialists of the U. S. Public Health Service, have been assigned to help city and county health departments in Oregon in setting up permanent measures for rat control.

Tom H. Webb, a 30-year veteran of the Texas highway department, will become principal advisory engineer on modified service. He has been assistant state highway engineer. **Howard L. Arno,** assistant construction engineer, has been named to direct the personnel division. He is a civil engineering graduate from Texas A. & M. College. He joined the department in 1933. **George B. Finley,** maintenance engineer, resigned from the department to work for the Asphalt Institute.

Henry J. Graeser, Jr., assistant chief engineer in the maintenance and utilities division of the U. S. Army with supervision of sewer and water systems at all Army posts at home and abroad, headquarters at Washington, D. C., has been appointed assistant water superintendent of Dallas, Tex. He served as sanitary engineer of Bryan, Tex., for three years after his graduation from Texas A. & M. College in 1938.

H. E. Noell, a former division engineer of the North Carolina State Highway & Public Works Commission at Shelby and Greensboro, N. C., has gone with the E. H. Hines Construction Co., Greenwood, S. C., to represent it in Western North Carolina at Shelby.

E. A. Gailbreath is first assistant road engineer of Jefferson County, Ky.

I. M. Wardle of Ottawa, Can., has been named director of public projects in the new Ministry of Resources and Development; **H. G. Cochrane** is in charge of the Trans-Canada Highway project; **C. V. F. Weir** is chief of the engineering and construction services.

George M. Garrett, district engineer of the Ft. Worth district, Texas state highway department since 1945, has been made deputy state highway engineer. He has been with the department since his graduation from Texas A&M College in 1924, and a district engineer since 1935. **W. W. Finley,** assistant engineer for the district, was promoted to district engineer. He has been with the department since 1910 and has been assistant district engineer since 1929.

William F. Callahan, Massachusetts public works commissioner, has been renominated and confirmed, as were **William T. Morrissey** for Metropolitan District Commissioner; and **Thomas A. Flaherty,** Public Utilities Commissioner.

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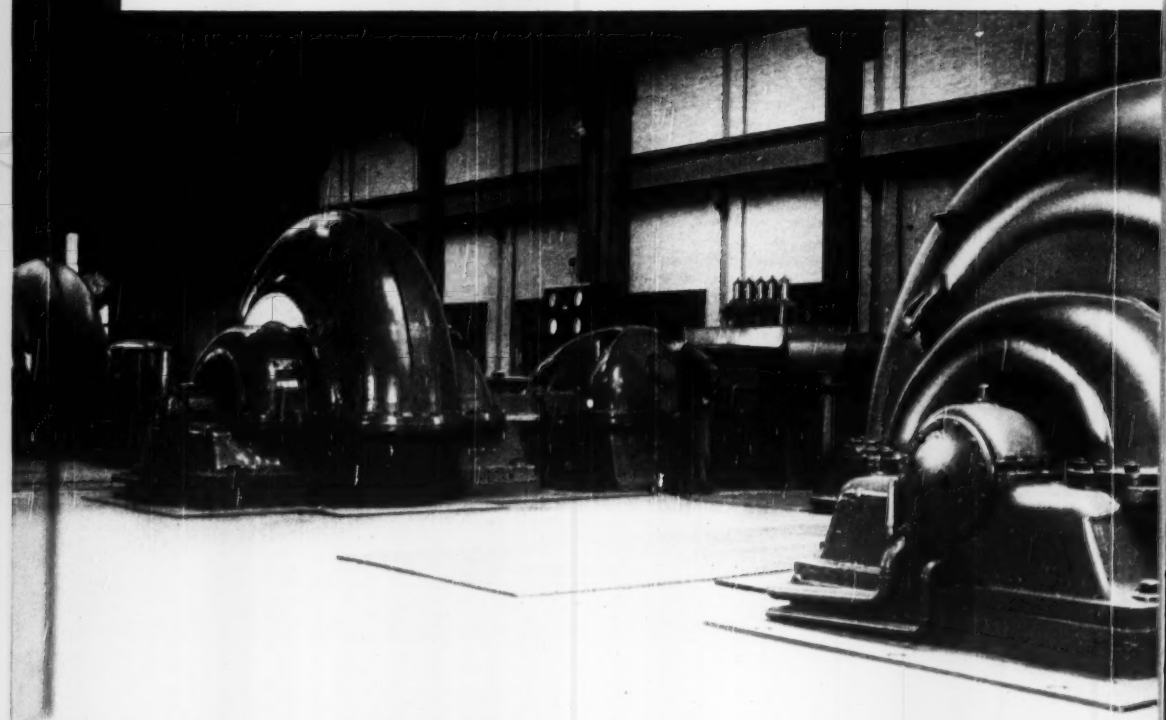

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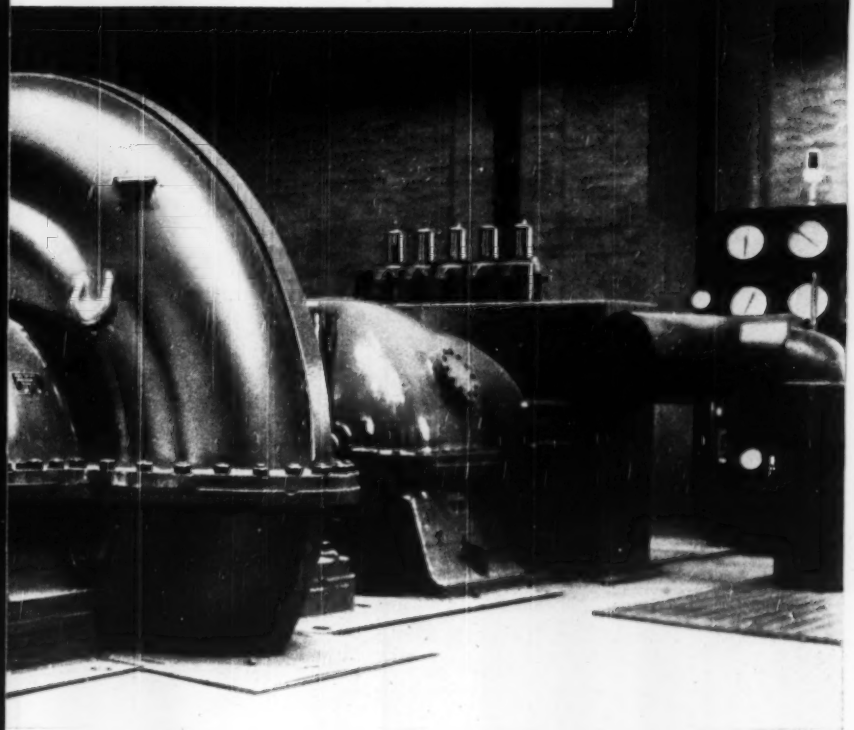

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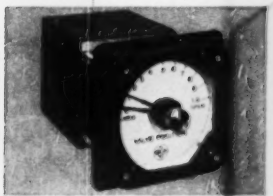

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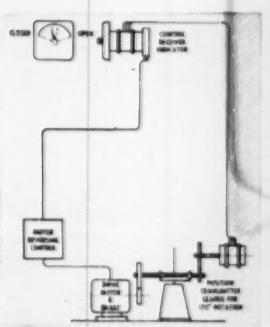

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Parking Plans

St. Louis, Mo.—A new law in Missouri, effective March 9, permits St. Louis to operate off-street parking facilities. To finance them, the city may use general revenue funds, including money derived from leases, or may make special benefits assessments against real estate in the affected area.

Royal Oak, Mich.—The city commission has authorized the establishment of two municipally-operated parking lots. The city manager has been instructed to provide for the issuance of $325,000 in revenue bonds to obtain and develop the sites.

Mansfield, Ohio—A citizens' committee has proposed the construction of a parking garage and auditorium and exhibition hall on the site of Central Park, to cost about $810,000. The two-story underground garage would accommodate more than 600 cars, and the auditorium would seat at least 6,000.

Akron, Ohio—A combination arena and parking building is being studied. It would have a 3-deck parking facility for 1,100 cars, the fourth deck to be used for a municipal entertainment and sports arena with seating capacity of 10,000. It was pointed out that the parking deck would be used much more at night by crowds attending events in such a building, guaranteeing additional revenue. The three-deck building without the arena was estimated to cost $1,446,000.

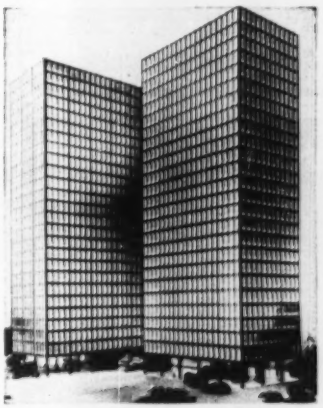
Youngstown, Ohio—Greater Youngstown Area Foundation is hiring engineers to make studies of a proposed mammoth parking project over the Erie Railroad tracks downtown, estimated to cost more than $6,000,000. The facility would be built in several tiers over the Erie's tracks between Fifth and Wick Avenues, and would be financed by revenue bonds. J. E. Greiner Co., Baltimore, will study design and construction of the facility, and Parsons, Brinckerhoff, Hall & Macdonald, New York, will make studies of traffic and potential revenue. Should the studies show the project to be economically feasible, city council will be asked to create a public authority to build and operate it.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The recently-created off-street parking authority announced that creation of temporary downtown parking lots would be its first goal. Establishment of the parking authority was authorized in 1949 by the Indiana General Assembly.

Parking Meter Test—Installation of about 300 more parking meters in downtown Indianapolis, Ind., is being planned by city officials. They will be put in on a trial basis. The city already has in use 542 parking meters of another type which have been averaging receipts of about $1097 a week since last September.

More Parking Units—Toledo-Lucas County, Ohio, plan commissions have approved a proposal that 1,000 additional parking units be provided for the downtown area, first by private capital if it will do so, and if not, by public development of facilities under the new state law.

Parking meter ads—Not satisfied with the revenue they get from parking meters, some cities are turning to advertisements on the parking meter uprights for additional income. Longview, Wash., has awarded a 5-year lease on meter advertising to a Seattle firm in exchange for 20% of the profits. Three advertising signs will be allowed on each upright.



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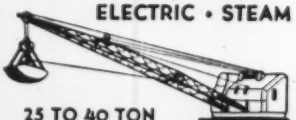

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Two University of California engineers, Prof. M. P. O'Brien, dean of engineering, and Prof. J. W. Johnson, a specialist in wave and tidal action, have chosen Santa Barbara, Calif., as a site for research on the relation of wave refraction and tidal action to sand deposits.

After consultation with Engineer Wallace J. Penfield, who has drawn plans for completion and enlargement of Santa Barbara Harbor, O'Brien and Johnson decided on the spot as a location for a wave recorder to facilitate the cataloging of measurements.

The project is a joint effort of the university and the U. S. Beach Erosion Board. O'Brien said the research is basic to the study and solution of many present beach problems.

The project will make studies to estimate and predict movement of sand in harbors and beaches. Because of previous dredging operations in the Santa Barbara Harbor, measurements are available on the total volume of sand involved. Sand flow in the harbor varies from 300 cu yd a day to as high as 1,500. Reasons for the variance are unknown. The coming study will seek an answer.

O'Brien said Santa Barbara was a particularly suitable location for the research because records of conditions and sand movements exist for the last 12 years.

Air engineering center

The air engineering development center planned to be set up near Tullahoma, Tenn., is expected to stimulate advanced research in every engineering school in the area.

After hearing Air Secretary Stuart Symington discuss plans for the big wind tunnel project, which may cost $150,000,000, educators representing the University of Tennessee, the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Mississippi State College, and Tennessee Polytechnic Institute agreed that the air center will require men trained in highly specialized technical fields and that the institutes' research programs would be aimed toward cooperation and collaboration with the new air center.

Symington announced that the project, construction of which may

start this summer, will be named the Arnold Air Engineering Development center in honor of the late Gen. H. H. (Hap) Arnold, wartime commander of the Army Air Forces.

College-highway officials cooperation in N.C.

Plans were discussed for effective coordination of the experimental and research facilities of the North Carolina State College school of engineering with that of the State Highway Commission and for cooperation of the school in the state's road building program at a conference of college and highway officials in Raleigh recently.

The meeting was arranged by Dean J. H. Lampe, of the school of engineering. He said: "We hope to make the school's facilities and research scientists available to offer technical services which may fill some of the needs in the road-building program now under way."

Governor W. Kerr Scott said that both the highway commission and the college may benefit from joint projects designed for improving the roads program.

After hearing outlined ways in which the research facilities of the college may be used in solving technical problems of the highway commission, the governor said he was glad to hear of possibilities of a cooperative experiment program and that the state may be able to advance plans for accomplishing this activity.

Dean Lampe, asserting that highway research demands more attention, expressed the belief that State College staff members should be used in devising solutions to technical problems hampering the road program and said that the school hopes to expand its services to the people through more research and through improved teaching.

Applied Mechanics—During the next two months, a series of applied mechanics seminars will be held at the school of engineering of the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Among the topics to be discussed are "Hydraulic uplift pressures on masonry dams," "The behavior of buildings durings earthquakes," and "X-ray methods of stress analysis."

Guidance Plans—A student selection and guidance committee of the Delaware Engineers Association has been organized to provide counsel to young men and women of the state who may be considering engineering as a career. The committee will visit high schools and consult with students.

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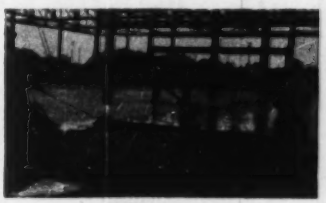

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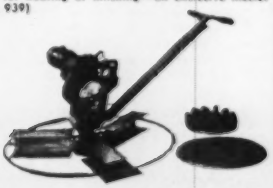

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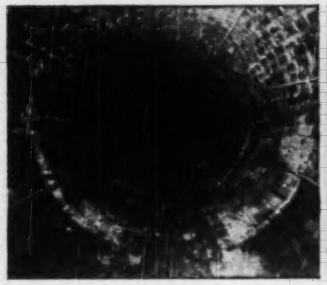

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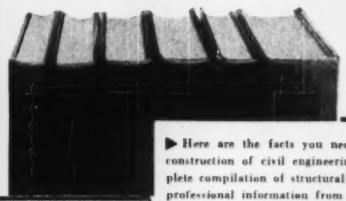

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ELECTIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Harry V. Miller, San Jose, Calif., engineer, has been chosen president of the San Jose chapter, California Society of Professional Engineers. He succeeds Walter Long, recently named state director, George Reynolds, vice-president; John MacDonald, secretary; and Arthur Wells, treasurer. J. Walter Smith, Lloyd Barnwell, and Paul Birmingham were elected directors.

George Nilson of the Nilson-Smith Construction Co. of Great Falls, Mont., has been elected president of the Montana Contractors Association, succeeding Dan J. Mooney of Butte. Edward O'Neil of Havre, vice-president; Bert Lalonde of Sidney, treasurer, and Ned Hergert of Helena, re-elected secretary-manager.

F. Caldwell Greene was elected president of the Utica, N. Y., Builders Exchange, succeeding Augustus Miller. Other officers: John Harty, vice-president; T. P. Eldred, treasurer, and Charles A. Miller, executive-secretary. Directors, Theodore Borek, Rodney Hameline, Augustus Miller, John A. Schnitt and William F. Skelton.

W. C. Burnham is president of the Oklahoma section, ASCE; D. C. Benham, vice-president; and Jack Lothers, secretary-treasurer.

Ernest Hillman, of Hillman & Nowell, Los Angeles, consulting structural engineers, has been elected 1950 president of the Structural Engineers Association of Southern California. Donald F. Shugart was elected vice-president; R. J. Short, secretary-treasurer; C. M. Herd and John Minasian, directors. Other directors are Harry Bolin, past president; John Case and Lewis Osborn.

The Alabama Branch of Associated General Contractors elected the following officers: C. C. Wilborn, Birmingham, president; Houston A. Brice, Jr., Birmingham, first vice-president; C. F. Hooks, second vice-president. J. B. Rawls was reelected executive secretary.

Officers of the Oklahoma Society of Professional Engineers: President, Allan Craig; F. G. Fellows and R. F. Danner, vice-presidents; Cy Perkins, secretary-treasurer.

Thomas F. Delany, vice-president of W. J. Burns Co., general contractors, has been elected president of the Syracuse, N. Y., Builders Exchange. Other officers, William W. Nass, vice-president; George W. Sykes, treasurer, and C. J. Pollatsek, executive secretary.

B. W. Davis, of Raleigh, engineer with the Highway Commission, has been elected president of the North Carolina section of the American Society of Civil Engineers. He succeeds John D. Watson, of Greensboro. Other officers elected included J. Norman Pease, of Charlotte, first vice-president; Carroll L. Mann, Jr., of Greensboro, second vice-president, and E. B. Rice, of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer.

The New York Association of Consulting Engineers has re-elected William Eipel president and has admitted four new firms. Re-elected with Mr. Eipel were: John W. Hennessy, vice-president; Harry Bond, treasurer; W. Donald Christie, secretary. The new firms are: Jacob Feld, structural; Levy & O'Keefe, mechanical; Ernest F. W. Franck mechanical, and Wilcox & Erickson, structural.

MAJOR MEETINGS

Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute, anual meeting, The Shamrock Hotel, Houston, Tex., March 20-25.

New Jersey Sewage Works Association, annual convention, Hotel Stacy-Trent, Trenton, N. J., March 22-24.

Highway Engineering Conference, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, March 29-31.

Western Public Works Congress, Hotel Leamington, Oakland, Calif., April 2-4.

Canadian Section, American Water Works Association, General Brock Hotel, Niagara Falls, Ont., April 3-5.

New Jersey Society of Professional Engineers, Essex House, Newark, N. J., April 14-15.

Highway Transportation Congress, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C., April 25-27.

American Society of Civil Engineers, spring meeting, Los Angeles, Calif., April 26-29.

Maryland-Delaware Water and Sewerage Association, Fort Cumberland Hotel, Cumberland, Md., April 27-28.

Third Inter-American Congress of Municipalities, New Orleans, La., May 2-5.

N. Y. State Society of Professional Engineers, Hotel Statler, New York City, May 4-6.

American Society of Civil Engineers, Pacific Northwest Conference, Winthrop Hotel, Tacoma, Wash., May 5-6.

U. S. Conference of Mayors, Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City, May 11-13.

Florida Highway Conference, University of Florida, Gainesville, Fla., May 11-23.

American Water Works Association, annual conference, Convention Hall, Philadelphia, Pa., May 21-26.

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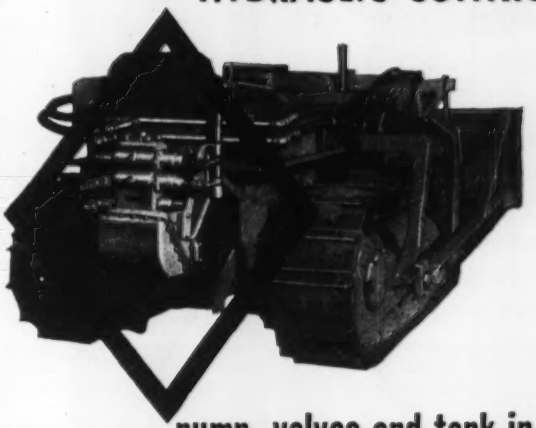

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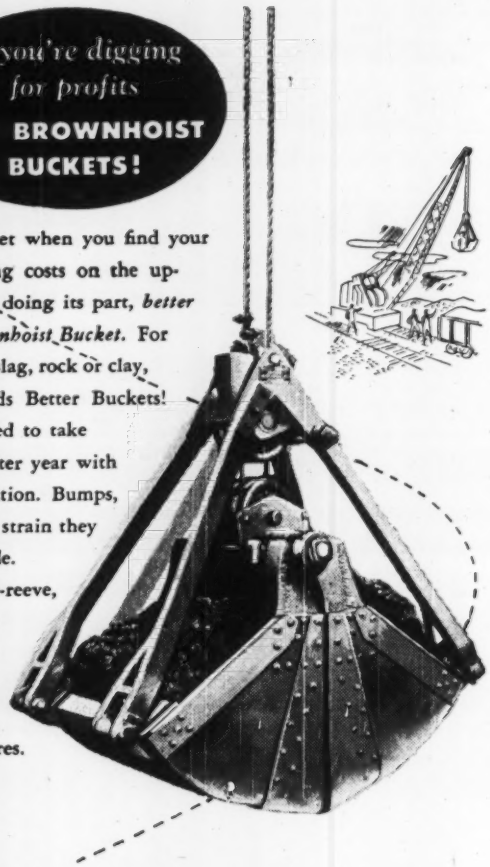

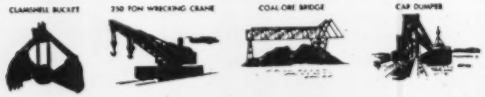

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OBITUARY

Clarence E. Seage, 61, structural engineer and consultant on many building projects in North and South America, died Feb. 6 while crossing the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, which he had helped design. Mr. Seage, who received an engineering degree from Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y., and did graduate work at Columbia University, was an assistant to Gustav Lindenthal on the design and construction of New York's Hell Gate Bridge before going to the San Francisco Bay area in 1921. He was one of the five senior designers of the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, and he planned and built 18 of the buildings on Treasure Island for the Golden Gate International Exposition of 1938-39. He was consulting engineer on McNary Dam on the Columbia River, and with his partner, Col. Ralph A. Tudor, he was co-designer and engineer of a bridge to be built across the Columbia at The Dalles.

Harry C. Cole, construction engineer, died Feb. 13 at Morgantown, W. Va. He was a graduate of the West Virginia University engineering school, 1898. He became assistant engineer in charge of the design of the Pacific division of the Panama canal in 1908 and later was named resident engineer and served until the canal's completion. He headed the Cole Brothers Construction Co., which was formed in Morgantown in the 1920's, primarily for road construction.

Olver Playfair Roberts, 61, divisional engineer for the British Columbia Department of Public Works at New Westminster, died Feb. 13. He was transferred in January from Nelson, where he had been divisional engineer.

Merle B. Mann, 61, for 31 years with the U. S. Corps of Engineers at Jacksonville, Fla., died in Murphy, N. C., Feb. 11.

Friedrich Bleich, 71, died in New York Feb. 17. He was a graduate of the Technical University of Vienna, Austria. He practiced in Vienna as consulting engineer until 1938, and was responsible for the design of many notable bridges. Since 1941 in this country, he was first associated with Albert Kahn, Architects and Engineers, Detroit. Subsequently he was engaged in research on the causes of the disaster of the Tacoma Narrows Bridge on behalf of the Advisory Board

on Investigation of Suspension Bridges; since 1947 he was associated with Frankland and Lienhard, consulting engineers, and at the time of his death had nearly completed a survey on the buckling strength of metal structures, under the firm's contract with the U. S. Navy. The results of his investigations on suspension bridges are to be published. Advance copies of his recent reports on the Buckling Strength of Metal Structures have been distributed by the Column Research Council of the Engineering Foundation.

Hugh Hannan, 56, of New York, underpinning engineer on the rapid transit system of Toronto, Ont., died in Toronto Feb. 23. He was employed by the subway contractors, Pitts-Johnson-Drake-Perini, Ltd.

Wm. G. Wheeler, 63, secretary of the Building Trades Employers' Association of New York City for the last 22 years, died Feb. 21. His death came a few minutes after he had reported at the association's annual meeting at which he was re-appointed for his 23rd term. He was a graduate of Syracuse University.

John L. Quinn, 55, of Wakefield, Mass., died Feb. 13 in Chelsea. For 30 years he was a civil engineer for the Metropolitan District Commission, Boston.

Charles S. Leary, 64, former minister of public works for British Columbia, died Feb. 16 at Bradenton, Fla. He served at his public works post for 17 years. His home was Nakusp, B. C., where he was president of the Big Bend Lumber Co.

Aaron G. Levy, 65, chief civil engineer of the utilities department of Cleveland, Ohio, died Feb. 21. A city engineer since 1919, he played an important part in the development of Cleveland's waterworks. He was graduated from Tulane University in 1906, and for 12 years he was an engineer in the water department of New Orleans, La. He was a captain in the Corps of Engineers in the first world war.

Clyde W. O'Brien, 64, Dayton, Ohio, a city planning aide since 1945, and previously with the U. S. Engineers employed on wartime projects in Dayton, died Feb. 13.

Louis M. McDonald, 63, died at Welland, Ont., Feb. 18. He was a graduate of St. Joseph's University, St. Joseph, N. B., and studied civil engineering at McGill University, Montreal. He had been on the staff of the Canada Cement Co. for 31 years.

Edward S. Clifford, 77, retired city engineer of Buffalo, N. Y., died Feb. 22. Before his retirement in 1944, he had been employed by the city for 30 years. He had been an engineer on several Buffalo bridges and public buildings.

Frederick W. Hamilton, 82, who had spent all his working years in street and highway construction, died at Scottsville, N. Y., Feb. 14. Many of the early suburban electric lines out of Rochester, N. Y., were laid out by survey parties in which Mr. Hamilton was active. In the 1920's he joined E. A. Bonney in Hamilton & Bonney, contractors. During the war he had charge of road construction at several government ordnance projects.

Henry W. Welsh, 67, president of the Canadian Institute of Steel Construction and general manager of the Mackinnon Structural Steel Co., Ltd., died at Sherbrooke, Que., Feb. 19.

Edgar Vaughan, Sr., 77, retired civil engineer, died at Shelbyville, Ky., Feb. 22. A graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, he formerly was a civil engineer for the Louisville & Nashville R. R. and president of the Louisville Bridge and Iron Co.

John E. S. Thorpe, 65, of Franklin, N. C., a civil engineer long active in the power and light field, and latterly president of Nantahala Power and Light Co., died Feb. 24. He was a graduate of Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore.

Charles C. Agar, of Elsmere, N. Y., a few months ago appointed chief of the water pollution control section of the N. Y. State Department of Health, died in Albany, Feb. 15. A 1920 graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute, in 1925 he entered sanitary engineering as a research chemist at the Worcester, Mass., city sewage treatment works. In 1937 he was elected president of the N. Y. State Sewage Works Association and won the Kenneth Allen memorial award that year. He was a veteran of both world wars and in the last one was on General Patton's headquarters staff and was sanitary engineer of the Third Army.

Floyd B. Minium, 63, Minnesota highway department district engineer since 1933, died at New Ulm, Minn., March 2. Formerly he was city engineer of that place.

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Cmt (for cmt atblz base crs) bbl	30,386	4.90	4.80
6" soil cmt atblz base crs *- . sy	271,876	.59	.50
5" sand asph base crs *- unif thick sy	271,876	1.90	2.51
Scarif & Reshaped base crs . . . . sy	29,914	.59	.57
Subgrade . . . . . sy	35,161	.15	.79
Shoulders. . . . . lf	58,284	.30	.65
Asph cut-back. . gal	91,605	.18	.23
Tar. . . . . gal	59,376	.25	.29
Cmt concr header curb . . lf	102,732	.85	.77
Concr curb - straight. . . . lf	1,000	1.20	1.09
radial . . . . . lf	5,563	1.50	1.36
Concr curb & gutr lf	5,689	1.50	2.38
Concr valley gutr lf	17,538	.80	2.04
Concr sdwlk, 4" deep. . . . sf	24,673	.35	.38
6" " . . . sf	300	.50	.51
Hauled-in-Matl . cy	1,500	2.50	2.04
Type A end walls, 15" pipe . . . ea	1	100.00	106.11
18" " . . . ea	1	120.00	120.49
30" " . . . ea	2	175.00	177.19
36" " . . . ea	1	212.00	212.62
Curtain walls, 15" pipe . . . ea	29	50.00	35.44
18" " . . . ea	7	60.00	49.61
24" " . . . ea	7	70.00	70.87
30" " . . . ea	4	90.00	85.05
Type A inlet. . . ea	195	250.00	147.75
Type B inlet. . . ea	33	250.00	184.27
Rebuilt inlet. . . ea	38	85.00	85.05
Conn to exist CMP storm sewer . . ea	6	141.00	141.75
Standard manholes (mh) . . . ea	49	275.00	127.57
Shallow mhs . . . ea	23	150.00	113.40
Adjust,mh & inlets . . . . . ea	900	28.00	28.35
Adjust, vlv box, metr box, etc. ea	500	14.00	14.17
Reinf cmt concr cap, exist inlets . . ea	36	60.00	63.79
Cmt concr without forms . . . . . cy	6,875	20.00	27.00
Reloc air vlv, san. swr line. . . . . ea	1	100.00	70.87
15" RCC pipe, 0'-4' deep. . lf	4,856	3.35	3.40
4'-6' " . . lf	456	3.80	3.71
15" asph ctd CMP**, 0'-4' deep . . lf	4,856	3.35	3.40
4'-6' " . . lf	456	3.80	3.71
18" RCC pipe, 0'-4' deep. . lf	1,200	4.20	4.18
4'-6' " . . lf	8,414	5.63	4.50
6'-8' " . . lf	5,871	6.30	5.48
8'-10' " . . lf	2,193	8.10	8.18
10'-12' . . lf	348	9.45	9.49
21" asph ctd CMP**, 0'-4' deep . . lf	1,200	4.20	4.18
4'-6' " . . lf	8,414	5.63	4.50
6'-8' " . . lf	5,871	6.30	5.48
8'-10' " . . lf	2,193	8.10	8.18
10'-12' . . lf	348	9.45	9.49
21" RCC pipe - 4'-6' deep. . lf	832	6.30	6.47
6'-8' " . . lf	594	8.25	8.34
8'-10' " . . lf	238	9.50	9.53
10'-12' . . lf	320	10.50	10.84
24" Asph ctd CMP**, 4'-6' deep. . lf	832	6.30	6.47
6'-8' " . . lf	594	8.25	8.34
8'-10' " . . lf	238	9.50	9.53
10'-12' . . lf	320	10.50	10.84
24" RCC pipe, 0'-4' deep. . lf	100	6.50	6.51
6'-8' " . . lf	792	7.70	7.91
10'-12' . . lf	298	10.50	10.75
27" Asph ctd CMP**, 0'-4' deep. . lf	100	6.50	6.51
6'-8' " . . lf	792	7.70	7.91
10'-12' . . lf	298	10.50	10.75
27" RCC pipe, 6'-8' deep. . lf	642	11.00	11.23
8'-10' " . . lf	189	12.20	12.20
10'-12' . . lf	163	15.00	15.11
30" Asph ctd CMP**, 6'-8' deep. . lf	642	11.00	11.23
8'-10' " . . lf	189	12.20	12.20
10'-12' . . lf	163	15.00	15.11
30" RCC pipe, 0'-4' deep. . lf	232	9.00	9.07
4'-6' " . . lf	113	10.00	10.68
6'-8' " . . lf	37	12.10	12.11
8'-10' " . . lf	116	13.85	13.89
10'-12' . . lf	1,071	16.00	16.04
12'-14' . . lf	661	18.00	18.24
14'-16' . . lf	296	20.00	20.80
36" Asph ctd CMP**, 0'-4' deep. . lf	232	9.00	9.07
4'-6' " . . lf	113	10.00	10.68
6'-8' " . . lf	37	12.10	12.11
8'-10' " . . lf	916	13.85	13.89
10'-12' . . lf	1,071	16.00	16.04
12'-14' . . lf	661	18.00	18.24
14'-16' . . lf	296	20.00	20.80
36" RCC pipe, 0'-4' deep. . lf	210	12.50	12.57
4'-6' " . . lf	70	13.80	13.80
6'-8' " . . lf	26	15.20	15.23
8'-10' " . . lf	117	17.00	17.01
10'-12' . . lf	1,142	19.00	19.16
12'-14' . . lf	175	21.25	21.36
42" Asph ctd CMP**, 0'-4' deep. . lf	210	12.50	12.57
4'-6' " . . lf	70	13.80	13.80
6'-8' " . . lf	26	15.20	15.23
8'-10' " . . lf	117	17.00	17.01
10'-12' . . lf	1,142	19.00	19.16
12'-14' . . lf	175	21.25	21.36
Drway pavt repl - Bituminous . sy	100	3.00	2.73
Concrete . . . sy	100	5.00	4.82
6" marl base comp. . . . . sy	100	2.00	2.04
Pouring cracks . lb	—	—	—
Sheeting l up . Mfbm	10	125.00	134.50
6" San sewer lat. lf	48,000	1.50	1.42
Water serv pipe, ¾" . . . . . lf	5,000	.60	.85
1" . . . . . lf	5,000	.75	.93
1½" . . . . . lf	5,000	1.00	1.31
2" . . . . . lf	10,000	1.50	1.44

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WATER SUPPLY

BIDS ASKED

Pa., Williamsport—B.A. 3/22—At offices Williamsport Municipal Water Auth., 253 4 St., earth dam and impounding reservoir, appurtenances. Plans deposit $25. Gannett, Fleming, Corddry & Carpenter, Inc., 600 N. Second St., Harrisburg, engr.

Pa., Phila.—B.A. 3/23—Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall Annex, water mains, Woodbrook lane and various locations; Willow Grove Ave., Ardleigh St., and Southampton Ave. etc., Approx. $50,000 each. Elbert J. Taylor, c/o owner, Water Bureau Chief. CD 11/24/44.

Tex., Lockhart—B.A. 3/23—City, water line extens., sys. imprvs. $110,000. Plans deposit $25. Julian Montgomery, 602 West Ave., Austin, engr.

Minn., Gonvich—B.A. 3/24—Village, G. D. Allen, clk., WW. sys. incl. approx. 10,450 lin. ft. c. i. mains, 50,000 gal wood or steel tank and tower, deep well turbine pump, pump house, etc. $66,000. H. S. Hall, Alexandria, engr. CD 2/21.

Tex., Tulia—B.A. 3/24—City, R. L. Cantrell, mayor, WW sys. extens., imprvs. $75,000.

N. C., Graham—B.A. 3/27—Town, Robert Crow, clk., City Hall, WW imprvs., Sect. A, 4 mi. 4- to 12-in. c. i. pipe lines; Sect. B, 1 m. g. filter plant, masonry dam, raw water pump station; Sect. C, filter plant equip.; Sect. D, 5 pumping units, complete; Sect. E, power and light fixtures and equip. and wiring; Sect. F, plumbing and fixtures. Plans deposit $25. Linberg Engineers, Burlington, engrs. CD 10/16/46.

Tex., Weslaco—B.A. 3/27—City, WW sys. imprvs. $30,000. Sigler, Clark & Winston, Weslaco, engrs.

Pa., Phila.—B. A. 3/23—Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall Annex, watermains, Adams Ave.; Vine and 10 Sts., Approx. $50,000 each; Vine St. at 15 St. and in Vine to Broad Sts., Approx. $75,000. Elbert J. Taylor, c/o owner, Water Bureau Chief. CD 11/24/44.

Tex., Bellaire—Bids Asked—Associates Home Builders, c/o M. H. Godbold, Bellaire, c.i. water lines, facilities Lee Manor Addn. $35,000. Howe & Wise, 4119 San Jacinto St., Houston, engrs.

Tex., Houston—Bids Asked—Meadowbrook Building Co., 7801 Howard Dr., c. i. water lines in new sub-division. $35,000.

Ont., Niagara Falls—Bids Asked—A. O. Williams, work mgr., c/o North American Cyanamid Ltd., 1 Fourth Ave., 7½ mi. 12 in. pipe line from plant here to Welland plant at Garner Rd., Stamford Twp. Approx. $125,000.

LOW BIDDERS

Calif., Long Beach—City Water Dpt., 215 W. Broadway, water main from Victoria St. and Wilmington Ave. to Johnson Reservoir, from A.B.C. Constr. Co., 14346 Lakewood Blvd., Paramount, $197,917. CD 2/15.

Calif., San Francisco—Public Utilities Comn., City Hall, Feb. 28, Rock River lime treatment plant, Foothill Div. of Hetch Hetchy Aqueduct, Spec. 221 from Charles I. Cunningham, Box 417, Oakdale, Schedule 1, $65,500; Schedule 2, $65,697. CD 2/14.

Calif., San Rafael—Marin Municipal Water Dist., 874 4 St., Feb. 28, installing 7,300 lin. ft. 36 in. bell and spigot welded joint water pipe line from Mountain Tunnel to Fairfax Gate House from B. Miles Thomas, 67 Buena Vista Terrace, San Francisco. $33,096. CD 2/14.

La., New Orleans—Sewerage & Water Bd. of New Orleans, 526 Carondelet St., Mar. 1, Contr. 302W, reinforced cement mortar exterior coating, 8,500 lin. ft. steel pipe of 50.8 in. outside diam., from John D. Bolton & Co., Inc., 910 Custer Ave., Evanston, Ill., $54,401. CD 1/25.

Mich., Detroit—Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall, Feb. 28, Contr. PW 6798, 1 story, 50x204 ft., rein.-con., Fairview Pumping Station addn., from Douglas Cloud Co., 1017 Penobscot Bldg. $524,885. CD 2/1.

Mo., Caruthersville—City, Viola Kramer, clk., City Hall, Jan. 17, WW. imprvs., Set 1, general constr. works, incl. filter bldg., aerator, waster water reservoir, pumping equipment, connecting piping, appurtenances; and Sect. 2, filter and chemical equipment, incl. filter, chemical piping, appurtenances, from Don Pray, Monett. $114,800. CD 12/16.

Tex., Dallas—City, City Hall, Main and Harwood Sts., Feb. 28, 30 in. watermain in Chalmers St., from Sunset Pump Station to Brandon, Cont. 301, from E. H. Reeder Constr. Co., 2128 Howes St., $83,785.

Tex., Robstown—Nueces Water Imprv. Dist. 3, Robstown, Feb. 23, WW imprvs. approx. 12,000 lin. ft. 6-to 16-in. lines from J. B. Garrett Plumbing Co., 1343 S. Staples St., Corpus Christi, materials and constr. $57,609, construction only $16,727; pipe materials, from U. S. Pipe & Fdry. Co., N. Esperson Bldg., Houston, $36,421. CD 1/31.

Va., Arlington—Arlington Co. Bd., A. T. Lundberg, Co. mgr., Courthouse, Feb. 28, 1½ m.g. steel ground reservoir, concrete fdns., from Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Co., Neville Island, Pittsburgh, Pa., $44,900. CD 2/7.

Wis., Lake—Town of Lake, 4001 S. 6 St., Milwaukee Zone 7, Feb. 28, laying water mains in various streets, from R-W Constr. Co., 4831 W. State St., Milwaukee, Zone 8. $361,014. CD 2/23.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Calif., El Segundo—City Council, 203 Richmond Ave., rein.-con. reservoir and pump house, to Hongola & Elliott, Box 157, Norwalk, $141,914. Bids 1/18. CD 12/7, under LB.

Colo., Denver—Bd. Water Comrs., City and County Bldg., Denver, replacing 30 in. water conduit approx. 5171 lin. ft. of I. D. reinforcing concrete water pipe, known as Conduit 5 from S Ave. and Colorado Blvd. to 7 Ave., Parkway and Clayton St., to Northwestern Engineering, E. 60 St. and Colorado Blvd., $37,177, Est. Approx. $28,000. Awarded 2/24. CD 1/9/48.

Ga., College Park—City, distr. sys. addn., to Greene & O'Donnell Constr. Co., 2117 Piedmont Rd. N. E., Atlantz, $32,259. Bids 3/1. CD 2/9.

Ill., Pontiac—State of Illinois, Springfield, watermains, sewers, plumbing for power house on Pontiac Branch of Illinois State Penitentiary, to Petersburg Plumbing & Heating, Petersburg. $123,986. Awarded 2/24.

Mass., Boston—Commonwealth of Mass., 20 Somerset St., Feb. 16, Contr. 168, furnishing, laying 14,900 lin. ft. 30 in. c. i. and steel water pipes, Saugus, from C. Di Martino & Sons, 86 Clare Ave., Hyde Park, $538,000, Est. $400,000. CD 2/10.

Miss., Lucedale—Town, Town Hall, water distr. sys., exten., to Smith-Sweger Constr. Co., Clearwater, Fla., $50,692. Bids 2/27. CD 2/10.

Mont., Billings—Yellowstone Co. Rural Special Imprvt. Dist. 122, Billings, installing 12,716 ft. 6- to 10-in. c.i. water mains, fittings in area between Second and Fourth Aves. north and between N. Ninth St. and U. S. Hy. 10, in area contiguous to Billings on east, to Christensen Plumbing & Heating Co., 3615 Montana Ave. $52,081. Bids 2/27, awarded 2/28. CD 2/16.

N. D., Fargo—City, City Hall, furnish slurry type basin equip. for water filtration plant, to Infilco, Inc., 325 W. 25 Pl., Chicago, Ill., $81,302. Black & Veatch, 4706 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., engrs. Bids 1/24. CD 12/14/45.

Ore., Portland—Stanley Water Dist., Stanley Ave. and Johnson Creek Blvd., replacing and exten. water mains to Eugene Brady Co., 219 N. W. Nicolai St., $46,668. Bids 3/1. CD 2/16.

Tex., Abilene—City, addnl. water distr. lines, force account. Approx. $34,000. B. R. Blankenship, engr.

Tex., Houston—City, City Hall, 900 Brazos St., c.i. water mains, Irvington Blvd., Approx. $28,000; 1 in. c. i. mains, 1 and 2 in. service lines, Lockwood-Wallisville Rd. area, $38,460; c. i. water lines in Ayrshire Addn., Approx. $30,000, own forces. Grand total $96,460. L. Fugate, city engr.

Tex., Waco—City, connecting water lines (laying lines), own forces. $35,000. CD 7/23/48.

PROJECTS COVERED

Projects—By Size

Construction projects here reported cover the United States and Canada, are of these minimum sizes or larger: water supply, earthwork, waterways $28,000; other public works $50,000; industrial buildings $68,000; other buildings $250,000.

Classes of Construction

(Name in order of Listing)

Water Supply	Latin America
Sewers, Waste Disposal	Public Buildings
Bridges	Commercial Buildings
Streets & Roads	Industrial Buildings
Earthwork, Waterways	Unclassified

Stages Reported

PROPOSED WORK: Including appointment of engineers or architects.

BIDS ASKED (new announcements only). For full calendar, see also preceding issues of ENR.

LOW BIDDERS: On jobs below $500,000 value all low bidder news will be the final reports published on the projects involved except where award is not made to the low bidder. In this case, a supplementary contract award report will be published.

CONTRACTS AWARDED: Except awards to low bidders previously reported in low bidder stage.

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Symbols and Abbreviations Include:

†	Federal Government
▲	Project of $1,000,000 or over.
B.A.	Bids Asked
ENR	Engineering News-Record
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Ont., Leamington—Council, Mayor Sherman, Leamington, elevated steel water tank, mains, fittings, to Horton Steel Wks., Fort Erie, Approx. $75,000. CD 7/9/45.

SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

BIDS ASKED

Pa., Grove City—B.A.—3/20—Boro, Boro Hall, sewage disposal plant addn., increasing disposal facilities, $100,000. Chester Engineers, 210 E. Parkway, Pittsburgh, engrs. CD 1/26.

N. C., Hickory—B.A. 3/21—City, H. L. Burdett, city mgr., Hickory, sewer lines and plant. Approx. $250,000. Wm C. Olsen, 5 Exchange Pl., Raleigh, engr.

Tex., Lockhart—B.A. 3/23—City, sanitary sewer lines exten. and sys. imprvs. $90,000. Plans deposit $25. Julian Montgomery, 602 West Ave., Austin, engr.

Wis., Lake—B.A. 3/23—Town of Lake, 4001 S. St. Milwaukee, Zone 7, 3 story, 112x141 ft., steel, brick water filtration plant, concrete fdns. and floors; facilities connecting intake and low lift pumping plant with filtration plant, incl. suction well, low lift pump house, low lift supply lines, land sect. of water lines, road grading, paving, curb, gutter; approx. 5,250 ft. 36 or 30 in. c.i. intake pipe into Lake Michigan and 425 ft. 20 in. steel submerged waste line. Plans deposit $30 each. Darby, Bogner & Assoc., 759 N. Milwaukee St., Milwaukee, Zone 2, archts. CD 11/3.

Tex., Crandall—B.A. 3/27—City, sanitary sewerage sys. and treatment plant. $75,000. Plans deposit $15. Joe J. Rady, 811 Insurance Bldg., Fort Worth, engr.

Tex., Weslaco—B.A. 3/27—City, sanitary sewerage sys. imprvs. $50,000. Sigler, Clark & Winston, Weslaco, engrs. CD 1/3.

La., Olla—B.A. 3/28—Town, Town Hall, 5½ mi., sewer lines, lift station and sewage treatment plant. Plans deposit $25. J. M. Fourmy, Hammond, engr. CD 8/23/45.

Conn., Waterbury—B.A. 3/29—Bd. P. Wks., City Hall, incinerator, refuse storage pit, 2 incinerator units, bridge crane, mechanical ash handling equip., scale and scale house, electrical work, heating and misc. appurtenant work. Plans deposit $25. Malcom Pirnie Engineers, 24 W. 43 St., New York, N. Y., engrs. Henry C. Whitlock, city engr. CD 11/21/49.

Tex., Bellaire—Bids Asked—Associates Home Builders, c/o M. H. Godbold, Bellaire, sanitary sewers, $60,000; storm sewers, $50,000, in Lee Manor sub-division. Howe & Wise, 4110 San Jacinto St., Houston, engrs.

Tex., Houston—Bids Asked—Meadowbrook Building Co., 7801 Howard Dr., sanitary sewers in new sub-division. $60,000.

LOW BIDDERS

Calif., Cloverdale—City, City Hall, Feb. 28, sewage treatment plant and water storage reservoir, from Baldwin Straub Corp., 26 Francisco Blvd., San Rafael, $51,330.

Ill., Chicago—Sanitary Dist. of Chicago, 910 S. Michigan St., Mar. 2, Contr. 10, Upper Des Plaines Intercepting Sewer, 20,700 ft. in River Grove, Melrose Park, Stone Park, North Lake, Leyden and Proviso, from Kenny Constr. Co., 111 W. Washington St., $748,646. CD 2/20.

▲ La., New Orleans—Sewerage & Water Bd. of New Orleans, 526 Carondelet St., Mar. 1, Contr. 241-D, 8,400 lin. ft. 20- to 28-in. rein.-con. lined and covered canal in Orleans Ave. and N. Jefferson Davis Parkway to Pumping Station 7 and tributary lines in various streets, from Boh Bros. Constr. Co., 2400 Cypress St. $1,967,579. CD 1/25, under Water Supply.

Tex., Idalou—City, Feb. 28, sanitary sewers, from Enic Constr. Co., Amarillo, $53,560. Est. $70,000. CD 2/7.

Tex., San Antonio—City, City Hall, Military Plaza, Mar. 3, Sect. III West Side Sanitary Sewer Main, incl. 26,300 lin. ft. 12-to 33-in. concrete pipe, manholes, structures, appurtenances, from Reising Constr. Co., Edinburg, $172,858. Est. $275,000. CD 2/20.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

N. J., Phillipsburg—Town, Town Hall, sewage disposal plant and main pump station, to R. N. Luff Constr. Co., York and Welsh Rds., Willow Grove, Pa. $542,200. CD 2/24, under LB.

N. C., Charlotte—City, H. A. Yancey, mgr., City Hall, sanitary sewers, to Suber & Co., Whitmire, S. C., $51,308. Bids 2/24. CD 5/1/46.

Tex., Corpus Christi—City, City Hall, Feb. 28, storm sewers, Sobey St. to Victor Dry. from Heidenfels Bros., 521 McBride Lane, $51,165. R. L. Otto, city engr. CD 12/28.

Tex., Waco—City, sanitary sewer lines, own forces. Approx. $65,000. CD 7/1/48.

Wis., Granville—Town, 7717 W. Good Hope Rd., Milwaukee, Zone 16, laying vitr. clay sanitary sewers in various streets, to Otto P. Seefeld Co., 5101 W. State St., Milwaukee, Zone 8. $61,961. Bids 2/24. CD 2/14.

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Ore., Milwaukie—City, City Hall, intercepting sewers, sewage pump. station and sewage treatment plant, to P. S. Lord, 4507 S.E. Milwaukie St., Portland. $181,633. Est. $200,000. Bids 2/27. CD 2/8.

BRIDGES

Pennsylvania—B.A. 3/20—Pennsylvania Turnpike Comn., 11 N. 4 St., Harrisburg,

Beaver Co.—construct superstructure of bridge carrying western exten. of Pennsylvania Turnpike over Beaver River, Sect. 29CD, approx. ½ mi. east of Homewood, from approx. 284 ft. west of centerline of west track of P. & L. E. R. R. Big Beaver Twp., east 1,545 ft. to approx. 478 ft. east of the centerline of the east track of P. R. R., N. Sewickley Twp. approx. 0.293 mi. Plans deposit $10. George Richardson, Park Bldg., Pittsburgh, engr.

Pennsylvania—B.A. 3/29—Pennsylvania Turnpike Comn., 11 N. 4 St., Harrisburg,

Allegheny Co.—construct superstructure of bridge carrying western exten. of Pennsylvania Turnpike over Allegheny River, Sect. 31Ab, from point on right descending bank of river easterly to Turnpike centerline on left bank, 0.4356 mi. Plans deposit $10. Modjeski & Masters, State Street Bldg., Harrisburg, engrs.

N. B., St. John—B. A. 4/4—H. D. Hopkins, City common clk., 1200 ft. rein.-con. Mill St. Viaduct, with two 22 ft. highways extended by 10 ft. at either side for bus parking, ramps at both ends 48 ft. 6 in. spans, full length balustrade, lighting. Approx. $725,000. Plans deposit $25. P. L. Prattley, 1117 St. Catherine St. W., Montreal, Que., engr. CD 12/23.

Pa., Phila.—B. A. 4/5—Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall Annex, bridge, Wingohocking St. $120,000. A. Zane Hoffman, c/o owner, ch. engr., CD 2/3/47.
LOW BIDDERS

Colo., Denver—City and Denver Co., County and City Bldg., Feb. 27, Clarkson Street Bridge over Cherry Creek and approaches, from Hutcheson Constr., Inc., 4101 E. Evans St., $53,008.

Kansas—State Hy. Comn., Court House, Olathe, Feb. 28, 28 x 119 ft. overpass and 24 x 83 ft. bridge, U. S. 50, at 75 St., near east end of Hy., Johnson Co., from General Eng. Co., 1330 Western St., Topeka, $58,556. CD 2/13, under Streets and Roads.

Kentucky—State Hy. Dpt., Frankfort, Feb. 24, bridge and c. conc. approaches over Pup Creek, 0.017 mi., Owensboro-Hawesville Rd., F 105 (7) SP 30-17, Daviess Co., from S. J. Boone, Owensboro, $87,333; steel superstructure and concrete flooring bridge over Cumberland River, 0.277 mi. F 530 (5) SP 72-171 Lyon Co., from John F. Beasley Constr. Co., 20 N. Wacker St., Chicago, Ill., $429,440. CD 2/8.

Maryland—State Rds. Comn., Baltimore, Feb. 28, 4 span, 38-67-67-38 ft. steel I-beam bridge with rein.-con. piers and abutments, stone faced, 0.07 mi. macad. surf. approaches, to carry Co. Rd. over Washington National Pike at Station 749 plus 85, intersecting U. S. Rte. 240, about 2½ mi. east of Monacacy River, Contr. 425-8-615, and steel beam and concrete underpass 55 ft. span by 14 ft. rise, bridge has dual superstructures, each 37 ft. wide to carry Washington National Pike over Co. Rd. at Station 830+, Araby Church Rd., completion of grading, paving sections embankments of Washington National Pike contiguous to underpass abutments, Contr. F-425-9-615, Frederick Co., from Zerkel Constr., Inc., 1011 20 St. N. W., Wash., D. C., $94,235 and $142,757 respectively. CD 2/16.

Massachusetts—Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., Boston, Feb. 28, 2 steel stringer bridges, Sullivan Square over Boston and Main and Boston and Albany R. R. U-341(1), Contr. B, Boston and Somerville, from Wescott Constr. Co., 52 N. Washington St., North Attleboro, $646,167. CD 2/10.

New Jersey and Pennsylvania—Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Comn., Broad St. Bank Bldg., Trenton, N. J., Mar. 2, flooring on bridge over Delaware River, Wilburtha, Mercer Co., N. J. and Yardley, Bucks Co., Pa., from Conn Welding & Machine Co., New Castle, Del., $53,726 (daytime) $55,768 (night). CD 2/1.

New Jersey—New Jersey Turnpike Auth., Trenton, 6 pairs concrete piers, 2 pairs of abutments together with necessary excavation cofferdams, fender system and other incidental work, Carteret—Linden, Middlesex and Union Counties, to Linde-Griffith Constr. Co., 152 Passaic St., Newark, $603,879. Bids 2/21, awarded 2/24. CD 2/24, under LB.

New Jersey—State Hy. Dpt., Trenton, Mar. 2 constr. 0.368 mi. Route 4, Sect. 5B, westbound overpass at Route 54B and connection to West Saddle River Rd., Fairlawn Boro, Fed. Proj. U-189 (3), Bergen Co., from Samuel Braen's & Sons, 662 Golf Rd., Hawthorne, $298,582. CD 2/9, under Streets and Roads.

▲ **New York**—Bureau Contracts & Accounts, Albany, Mar. 1, elimination grade crossing of New York Central R. R. and W. Main St., city of Watertown, 8 in. c. conc. paving, two 32 ft. span I-beam, 0.21 mi., Contr. No. P. S. C. 6593, Jefferson Co., from Collins Bros., 12 Talimadge Pl., Mechanicville, $394,253, est. $490,000; elimination grade crossing of New York Central R. R. with city of Syracuse, James St.; Eastwood Village, S. H. 896, James St., S. H. 9, Thompson, S. H. 429 and Thompson Rd., D. A. S. S. 43-4, Proj. No. UG 1094 (1) c. conc. paving, b. conc., 64 ft. Alpha I-beam, 0.95 mi., Contr. No. FG C-50-3, FG RC50-2, FG RC SS50-3, Onondaga Co., from D. W.

Winkelman Co., Inc., Heffernan Bldg., Syracuse, $643,458, est. $860,000. CD 1/27.

N. Y., Montour Falls—U. S. Eng., Engineer Park, Niagara and Bridge Sts., Buffalo, Zone 7, Mar. 1, wid'n. Pennsylvania R. R. bridge over Shequaga Creek, Inv. CIVENG-30-023-50-26 from Victor C. Arzani Contg. Co., 2507 James St., Syracuse, $73,015. CD 2/20.

Pennsylvania—State Hy. Dpt., Harrisburg, Mar. 3 through truss bridge, crushed aggregate base with bit. surf. 18 ft. wide, bit. surf. for paving railroad crossings, 2,205 ft. Traffic bridge over Susquehanna River to connect Retreat State Hospital with U. S. Route 11, Hunlock and Newport Twps., Luzerne Co., from James E. Minnich, Inc., Womelsdorf, $554,787. CD 2/14.

Tex., Dallas—City, City Hall, Main and Harwood Sts., Feb. 21, underpass or grade separation, concrete type, Harwood St. under Santa Fe and T. & N. O. Ry. tracks, from Texas Bitulithic Co., 111 Commerce St., $490,137. Est. $400,000. CD 2/7

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Utah—State Road Comn., State Capitol, Salt Lake City, wid'n. 74 ft. span concrete arch bridge over Logan River in Logan City, FAP Proj. No. F-127 (14), Cache Co., to Legrand Johnston, Logan, $66,956, est. $67,652; construct 2 rein.-con. bridges, one 85 ft. span, other 68 ft. span, over washes on U. S. 50 and 6, between Thompson and Cisco, Grand Co., to W. W. Clyde & Co., Springville, $66,862, est. $79,217. Bids 2/14. CD 2/3.

STREETS AND ROADS

BIDS ASKED

N. C., Mooresville—B.A. 3/25—Town, J. R. Holshouser, mayor, Town Hall, street imprvs., 66,000 cu. yd. excav. 96,000 sq. yd. paving, 4 in. crusher-run stone base and 1½ in. concrete surface, 17,000 ft. storm sewer, etc., 10,000 ft. 4 in. c.i. soil pipe sewer connections, 1,800 ft. 6 in. sanitary sewers, etc. Plans deposit $20. Platt & Davis, Durham, engrs. CD 5/24/46.

Calif., Los Angeles—B.A. 3/28—Bd. Supervs. Los Angeles Co., 501 Hall of Records, imprv. approx. 5,000 ft. Freeman Blvd. from Manchester Ave. to Knowlton St., C.C. 0-6711, Inglewood. $50,000. Plans deposit $5. C. E. Arnold, co. engr.

Tex., Jourdanton—B.A. 4/4—Atascosa Co., Jourdanton, 19 mi. grading, drainage, flexible base, asph. surf. tr. $140,000. Willard Smith, co. engr. CD 2/13.

Ind., Terre Haute—B.A. 4/7—At office Cont. Officer, Terre Haute Ordnance Depot, Terre Haute, (1) remove and dispose 6,000 sq. yd. plain concrete paving (2) replace 2,100 lin. ft. 5 in. vitr. clay drains with 5 in. extra-heavy c.i. soil pipe (3) pave 6,000 sq. yd. warehouse loading platforms with 6 in. rein.-con. slab.

Tex., Bellaire—Bids Asked—Associated Home Builders, c/o M. H. Godbold, Bellaire, street constr., asph. paving, Lee Manor sub-division. $60,000. Howe & Wise, 4119 San Jacinto St., Houston, engrs.

LOW BIDDERS

California—State Div. Hys., Sacramento, Mar. 1, plant mix surf. and apply seal coat 4.9 mi. between Gonzales and Chualar, Monterey Co., from Rice Bros., Box 1498, Marysville, $84,865***hy. imprvt. 5.8 mi. at various locations between 3.3 mi. south of San Jose and Madrone, Santa Clara Co., from Leo F. Piazza, 175 S. Montgomery St., San Jose, $100,406***grading, treat with penetration oil and seal coat 12.6 mi. Keystone-Larange Rd. between State Hy. Rt. 13, and Stanislaus Co. line, Tuolumne Co., from Chittenden & Chittenden, Box 240, Auburn, $167,392. CD 2/6.

Calif., San Diego—City Council, Feb. 21, imprv. Wabash and Federal Blvds., from Daigr Corp., Box 67, North Park Sta., San Diego, $710,444. CD 1/27.

Kansas—State Hy. Comn., Olathe, Feb. 28, grading 14.9 mi. U. S. Hy. 50, Johnson Co., from George Bennett Constr. Co., 1520 Central St., Kansas City, Kan., $651,872. CD 2/13.

▲ **Kentucky**—State Hy. Dpt., Frankfort, Feb. 24, from Middle West Roads Co., Noblesville, Ind., Class I, bit. surf. 7.985 mi. Lexington-Frankfort Rd., FI 326(22), SP (37-65)(120-35), Franklin and Woodford Counties, $326,393; bit. surf. Class F 19.01 mi. SP Group 1 (1950), Marshall Co., $105,065; bit. surf., Class I, rock asph. surf. 26.972 mi. SP Group 12 (1950), Logan and Todd Counties, $278,055***from Sam Nally Co., Bardstown, reconstr. and traffic bound limestone surf. 5.212 mi. Lola-Hampton Rd., RS 70-310, Livingston Co., $59,062; traffic bound limestone 12.975 mi. McAndrews-Ransom Rd., RS (98-823)(98-683), Pike Co., combined bid, $324,741***from Nally & Gibson, Springfield traffic bound limestone and reconstr. 4.394 mi. Roytader-High Knob Rd., RS 55-149, Jackson Co., $67,635; reconstr. and traffic bound limestone 4.083 mi. Artemus-Himyar-U. S. 25E Rd., RS 61-150, Knox Co., $82,339***from Kentucky Road Oiling Co., Frankfort, Class F (limestone aggregate), bit. surf. 15.053 mi. S 336(4), SP (64-73)(32-29), Lawrence and Elliott Counties, $286,619***from Hicks Freeman Co., Inc., Prospect, traffic bound limestone 3.216 mi., Mt. Vernon-Somerset Rd., S 102(3), SP 102-237, Rockcastle Co., $71,185

from Wellner Contr. Co., Winchester, traffic bound river grav. 0.96 mi. Paducah-Oaks-Symsonia Rd., S 75(2) SP 73-412, McCracken Co., $115,840***from Sager Constr. Co., 5507 Pershing St., St. Louis, Mo., bank or creek grav. 0.96 mi. Paducah-Oaks-Symsonia Rd., S 75(2) SP 73-412, McCracken Co., $114,642*** from R. E. Gaddie, Inc., Bowling Green, road wid'n. and bit. surf., Class I, 2.741 mi., Franklin-Bowling Green Rd., FI 370(10) SP 107-5, Simpson Co.,

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$164,879***from H. K. Williams, 4141 Park Blvd., Louisville, bit. surf., Class I 5.361 mi., SP Group 3 (1950), Jefferson Co., $81,464***from Gay-Coleman Constr. Co., 113 Cheapside St., and Carey Constr. Co., 613 Citizens Bank Bldg., Lexington, bit. surf. Class F binder and rock asph. seal, 8.313 mi. SP Group 16 (1950), Mercer Co., $53,174***from Allen-Codell Co., Inc., Winchester, bit. surf., Class F 16.415 mi. SP Group 17 (1950), Jackson and Clay Counties, $112,213 ***from Mott & Blackburn Co., Mexico, traffic bound limestone and reconstr. surf. 11.336 mi., Cresswell-Enon-Fredonia Rd., RS 17-402, Caldwell Co., $73,837 ***from Robinson & Lashbrook, Owensboro, traffic bound limestone and local bank or creek grav. 9.159 mi. Webberstown-Patesville-Dukes-Breckinridge Co. Line Rd., RS 46-157, Hancock Co., $71,000 and $64,028 respectively

from Louis F. Chapman, Clay, traffic bound river grav. 9.159 mi. Webberstown-Patesville-Dukes-Breckinridge Co. Line Rd., RS 46-157, Hancock Co., $81,126*** from Greenville Quarries, Inc., Greenville, traffic bound limestone surf. and reconstr. 7.234 mi., Kelat-Berry-Colemansville Rd., RS (49-12)(49-232), Harrison Co., $56,654***from Upton & Young, Canton, traffic bound river grav. 3.835 mi. Perry Rd. and William Shaw Rd., RS (53-349)(53-409), Hickman Co., $59,531***from Yager Constr. Co., 315 High St., Frankfort, local bank or creek grav. 3.835 mi. Perry Rd. and William Shaw Rd., RS (53-349)(53-409), Hickman Co., $52,617*** from Ballard & Hamilton, Bardstown, local or creek grav. 0.012 mi. McAndrews-Ransom Rd., RS 98-683, Pike Co., $164,243***from George H. Cheek Constr. Co., McClure Bldg., Frankfort, reconstr. and traffic bound limestone surf. 3.963 mi. McAndrews-Ransom Rd., RS 98-823, Pike Co., $120,113***from Lovell & Hart Constr. Co., 1091 Manchester St., Lexington, local bank or creek grav. 3.963 mi. McAndrews-Ransom Rd., RS 98-823, Pike Co., $138,098. CD 2/8.

Kentucky—State Dpt. Hy., Frankfort, cancelled bids to have been opened Feb. 24, reconstr. traffic bound surf. 5.34 mi. The Goose-Creek-Marvin Chapel Rd. from U. S. 227 approx. 1 mi. N.W. of Worthville and exten. to KY 36 at Marvin Chapel, RS 21-232, Carroll Co.; bit. surf., reconstr. traffic bound surf. 12.58 mi. The Browning Rd. from U. S. 68, 8 mi. south of Bowling Green to Butler Co. line, RS 114-468, Warren Co. CD 2/8.

Maryland—State Rds. Comn., Baltimore, Feb. 21, bit., Spec. B, along several sections of hy., incl. 0.769 mi. along U. S. Rte. 413 beginning at intersection of State Rte. 357 and 413 and exten. southwesterly through Marion, and 0.966 mi. beginning at point U. S. Rte. 13, approx. 1,000 ft. north of bridge over Manokin River and exten. southerly through Princess Anne, and 0.205 mi. along Prince William St. in Princess Anne, Contr. S-180-115 and S-181-115, Somerset Co., from Eastern Hys. Corp., Box 2738, Brooklyn, Baltimore, base $50,318. CD 2/8.

Maryland—State Rds. Comn., Baltimore, Feb. 21, bit. surf. Spec. B, along 2 sections hy. 1.91 mi. Kenwood Ave. beginning at Trump Mill Rd., and exten. southeasterly to Old Philadelphia Rd., State Rte. 7, and 0.61 mi. Joppa Rd. beginning at York Rd., U. S. Rte 111, and exten. easterly to Providence Rd., Contr. B-602-415 and B-603-415, Baltimore Co., from Interstate Amiersite Co., Delaware Trust Bldg., Wilmington, Del., base $93,290, alternate $92,074*** bit. surf. Spec. B, 7.804 mi. along Belair Rd., U. S. Rte. 1, beginning at Neckar Ave., approx. 3 mi. east of Baltimore City line and exten. northeasterly to Harford Co. line at Little Gunpowder River, Contr. B-601-415, Baltimore Co., from Harry T. Campbell Sons Corp., Towson, base $289,000, alternate $298,-450***bit. Spec. B, 1.9 mi. along 2 sections Pulaski Hy. beginning at Toll Booth on east side of Susquehanna River Bridge and exten. easterly toward Northeast Rd., Contr. 328-215, Cecil Co., from Bituminous Constr. Co., 3301 Ridgewood Ave., Baltimore, base $235,378, alternate $214,340 bit. Spec. B and adjustments to storm water drainage, along three sections of hy. in Cambridge, incl 0.584 mi. along Dorchester Ave. beginning at State Rte. 343 D-221-115, 0.458 mi. along Maryland Ave. beginning at Sunburst Ave., State Rte. 50, and exten. westerly to Cambridge Creek, and 0.202 mi. along Washington St. beginning at Race St. and exten. westerly to High St. D-223-115; Dorchester Co., and bit. Spec. B, 5.99 mi. along Old Philadelphia Rd., State Rte. 7, beginning at Pulaski Hy., U. S. Rte. 40 and exten. southwesterly through Stepney and Abingdon to Baltimore Branch, Contr. H-329-415, Harford Co., from T. B. Gaither & Sons, Inc., 5928 Belair Rd., Baltimore, base $62,702, alternate $56,897 and $190,979 respectively***Spec. B. bit. along 2 sections hy. incl. 1.023 mi. along Isabella St. in Salisbury, beginning at N. Division St. and exten. to city limits, near West Main St., WI-250-115, and 12.557 mi. along State Rte. 349, beginning at Rockawalking, 1.6 mi. west of U. S. Rte. 213, in Salisbury and exten. westerly towards Tyaskin, Wi-260.1-115; Wicomico Co., from Easter Hys. Corp., Box 2738, Brooklyn, No. 1, $304,535, alternate $275,831, CD 2/8*** grading, drainage, surf., 1.562 mi. section Maryland Rte. 589, beginning approx. 1.1 mi. S. E. of U. S. Rte. 113 and exten. southeasterly towards Gray's Corner and U. S. Rte. 213, Contr. 285-S-150, Worcester Co., from Pleasanton & Edgell, Inc., Mary St., Dover, Del., $63,161. CD 2/14.

Maryland—State Rds. Comn., Baltimore, Feb. 24, b.conc. Spec. B, 5.476 mi. along Gwynn Oak Ave. from U. S. Rte. 301 beginning at Seven Run Hill, approx. 0.75 mi. south of Dorra's Corner, and exten. northerly to S. Ave. in Glen Burnie, Contr. AA 416-315, Anne Arundel Co., from Eastern Hys. Corp., Box 2738, Brooklyn, stone $195,718; slag $178,305***b conc. Spec. B, w/sn. resurf. 3.49 mi., along Hanover Pike, State Rte. 30, beginning at Baltimore-Carroll Co. line, and exten. northwesterly to point approx. 1 mi. north of Hampstead, Contr. CL-317-315, Carroll Co., from Harry T. Campbell Sons Corp., Towson, stone $159,436; slag $161,823***c.conc. shoulders 2.974 mi. along Belair-Conowingo Rd., U. S. Rte. 1, beginning at point approx. 6 mi. northeast of Belair and exten. northeasterly towards Conowingo, Contr. HI328-415, Harford Co., from Charles E. Kirn, Inc., 2023 W. North Ave., Baltimore, $80,482. CD 2/15.

Massachusetts—Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., Boston, rejected bids Feb. 7, hy. and bridge, Contr. A. U-336 (3), Plymouth, L. B. $607,655. Will be re-advertised. CD 2/14, under LB.

▲ **Massachusetts**—Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., 100 Nashua St., Boston, Feb. 21, hy. and bridge, Reading-Wakefield, U-272 (19), from A. V. Taurasi Co., Inc., 139 Jacques St., Somerville, $2,104,188. CD 2/9.

▲ **Massachusetts**—Commonwealth of Mass., P. Wks. Dpt., Boston, Feb. 28, state hy. and bridge constr., U-272 (24), Waltham and Weston, from J. F. Fitzgerald Constr. Co., 212 Essex St., Boston, $3,830,086. CD 2/9.

Miss., Sumner—Town, Town Hall, Feb. 28, street imprvs., from Dunn Constr., First Federal S. & L. Bldg., Jackson, $81,000. CD 2/23.

▲ **Nebraska**—State Dpt. Roads & Irrigation, Lincoln, Feb. 24, grav. culverts, armor coat, stabil. base, bit. mat., F-485, Grant-Imperial, Perkins and Chase Counties, from Lee & Johnson, Inc., 215 Insurance Exchange Bldg., Sioux City, Ia., $213,834***grav., c. conc. paving, culverts, F-229, Texarkan-Decatur, Burt Co., from Booth & Olson, Inc., 529 Insurance Exchange Bldg., Sioux City, Ia., $296,808***grav., c. conc. paving, culverts, bridges, F-46 and F-254, McCook-Arapahoe, Red Willow Co., and grav., c. conc. paving, bridge, F-71, Orleans-Alma, Harlan Co., from Dobson & Robinson, 823 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., Lincoln $212,170 and $140,740 respectively***c. conc. paving, culverts, bridge, F-269, Randolph-Belden, Cedar Co., from Abel Constr. Co., 895 N. 16 St., Lincoln, $527,639. CD 2/13.

New York—Bureau Contracts & Accounts, Albany, Mar. 1, b. conc. opt. 2.6 mi. New Hempstead Road-Roberts Rd., Coyles Corners-Short Clove, S.H. 9005, Proj. S 311 (1), Proj. FASS 50-2, RC 50-4, Rockland Co., from County Asphalt, Inc., 9 Main St., Tarrytown, $292,739. Est. $360,000. CD 1/27.

North Carolina—State Hy. & P. Wks. Comn., Raleigh, Feb. 28, traffic bound macad., bit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 34.6 mi. 19 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 10-9-88-204, Buncombe Co., from Dickerson, Inc., Monroe, $310,048, est. $400,000-$500,000***traffic bound macad., bit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 30.4 mi. 15 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 10-9-93-201, Henderson Co., from Ballenger Paving Co., Box 1046, Greenville, S. C., $323,456, est. $300,000-$400,000***bit. surf. tr., sand asph. or b. conc. 30 mi. 6 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 6-9-52-208, Harnett Co., from J. F. Cleckley & Co., Orangeburg, S. C., $83,188, est. $75,000-$100,000***bit. surf. tr., sand asph. or b. conc. 38.8 mi. 11 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 6-9-55-208, 6-9-56-205, 85 6-7-50-24, Lee, Chatham and Moore Counties, from Cline Constr. Co., Box 349, Raleigh, $107,689, est. $100,000-$125,000***bit. surf. tr., sand asph. or b. conc. 39.9 mi. 8 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 6-9-56-205, Randolph Co.," and bit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 56.3 mi. 25 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 7-9-61-212, Mecklenburg Co., from Blythe Bros. Co., 424 S. Brevard St., Charlotte, $119,835, est. $100,000-$125,000 and $184,240, est. $200,000-$225,000 respectively, furnishing, hauling, and dumping traffic bound macad. 29.3 mi. 17 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 7-9-61-210, and furnishing, hauling, dumping traffic bound macad. 27 mi., 8 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 7-9-61-211 both Mecklenburg Co., from Superior Stone Co., Insurance Bldg., Raleigh, $114,144, est. $150,000-$175,-000 and $108,864, est. $125,000-$150,000 respectively***bit. surf. tr., sand asph. or b. conc. 43.3 mi. 10 sects. county roads, Proj. No. 6-9-51-207, 6-9-56-207, Davidson and Randolph Counties, from Suber & Co., Inc., Box B, Whitmire, S.C., $143,664, est. $200,-000-$225,000***traffic bound macad., or PCSBC, mit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 7.4 mi. bit. surf. tr. on county road southeast of Union Mills, from Southeast to Edge paved connection on U. S. 64, north of Rutherfordton, Proj. No. 9-552, S-211 (2), Rutherford Co., from A. R. Thompson Contractors, Inc., Rutherfordton, $70,388, est. $75,000-$100,000***c. conc. w/sn. and b. conc. binder and surf. 3.2 mi. U. S. 52, 421, 311 and 158 with on and resurf. various sects. streets in Winston-Salem, Proj. No. 5900-803, Forsyth Co., from Atlantic Bitulithic Co., 2400 Rosneath Rd., Richmond 21, Va., $68,175, est. $50,000-$75,000, sand asph. base and surf. course 12.8 mi. from point in Wilmington St. in Richlands, southeast to intersection with U. S. 17, east of Jacksonville, Proj. No. 2-454, S-277 (2), Onslow Co., from Barnes Constr. Co., Box 561, Kinston, $127,451, est. $150,000-$175,000 ***sand asph. base and surf. course 13.85 mi. from point on U. S. 64 east of Plymouth, east through Westover and Mackeys to U. S. 64 at Pleasant Grove, 2 other sects. in vicinity of Roper and Albemarle Beach, Proj. No. 2-652, S-274 (2), 2-9-26-204, Washington Co., from Neil L. Teer Co., Box 1311, Durham, $131,442, est. $125,000-$150,000***grading 2.93 mi. from intersection of Atkins and Person St. in Fayetteville, southwest crossing A. R. R. R. to intersection with U. S. 301 beyond west city limits, Proj. No. 3423, U. I. 672 (2), Cumberland Co., from Grannis & Sloan, Inc., Fayetteville, $92,483, est. $150,000-$175,000***traffic bound macad., or PCSBC bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. or b. conc. and structures 4.37 mi. from point at edge pavement south of Midway School, southeast to point at edge pavement on county road between U. S. 29 and 109, Proj. No. 6-155, S-302 (1), Davidson Co., from J. K. Cecil & Sons, Lexington, $71,241, est. $50,000-$75,000,

traffic bound macad., bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. or b. conc. and structures 8.12 mi. N. C. 200 north of intersection with N. C. 218, north to a point 0.5 mi. south of Stanfield, Proj. No. 6996, S-3 (4), Union and Stanley Counties, from Ben B. Propst, Concord, $130,013, est. $150,000-$175,000***traffic bound macad., b. conc. binder and surf. 1.6 mi. U. S. 74, west of Mooresboro, east through Mooresboro to bridge over Sandy Run Creek, Proj. No. 8245, F-187 (9), Cleveland Co., from E. H. Hines Constr. Co., Inc., Box 924, Greenwood, $62,586, est. $50,000-$75,000*** traffic bound macad., b. conc. binder and surf. and structures 1.98 mi. U. S. 70 and 64 from point near intersection with U. S. 221, south to intersection with N. C. 80, Proj. 8531, (rdy) F-84 (10), (strs), F-261 (4), McDowell Co., roadway from B. G. Young & Son, Box 333, Johnston City, Tenn., $97,589, est $100,000-$125,000; structures, from F. A. Triplett, Inc., Chester, S. C., $86,325, est. $75,000-$100,000 ***c. conc. paving 3.34 mi. U. S. 19 and 23, from point in Haywood Rd. in Asheville at Lucerne Ave. east, crossing French Broad River to point in Patton Ave. at Clingman Ave. and other connections, Proj. No. 9078, U-661 (4) and c. conc. paving 1.54 mi. U. S. 19 and 23 from point approx. 1.4 mi. northeast of Enka to point in Asheville 800 ft. northeast of city limits, Proj. 9085, F-247 (5), both Buncombe Co., from Wm. F. Bowe & Co., Augusta, Ga., $247,235, est. $250,000-$300,000 and $104,925, est. $100,-000-$125,000 respectively. CD 2/17.

▲ **North Carolina**—State Hy. & P. Wks. Comn., Raleigh, Mar. 2, from Barnus Constr. Co., Box 561, Kinston, added material, sand asph. base or b. conc. binder and b. conc. surf. course 4.42 mi. U. S. 117 from point in U. S. 117 approx. 0.5 mi. south of south city limits of Goldsboro, north and northeast to point in U. S. 117 north of city limits, Proj. 2851 U-13 (1), Wayne Co., $68,628, est. $75,000-$100,000***from Dickerson, Inc., Box 391, Monroe, traffic bound macad. b. conc. binder and surf. 2.73 mi. U. S. 301 from point approx. 4 mi. northeast of Wilson to point near overhead crossing of A. C. L. R. R. 0.5 mi. south of Elm City, Proj. 2970, F-117 (6), $66,655, est. $50,-000-$75,000; traffic bound macad., bit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 8.3 mi. Everett, Little River, Green Acres, Elm Bond and Island Ford Rds., Proj. 9-9-207, Transylvania Co., $88,988, est. $100,000-$125,000***from Wright Contg. Co., Box 1537 Columbus, Ga., c. conc. 3.22 mi. U.S. 29 and 74, from point 888 ft. west of city limith of Gastonia, east through Gastonia to point east of city limits, Proj. 6357 U-456 (4), U-37 (6), Gaston Co., $605,488, est. $400,000-$500,000,

from J. S. Hill Constr. Co., Washington, N. C. traffic bound macad., bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. surf. 10.45 mi. from point on U. S. 17, south of Chocowinity, on county road 18 intersection with N. C. 33 east. of Chocowinity then on county road to mouth of Blounts Creek, Proj. 2-9-15-208, Beaufort Co., $173,485, est $170,000-$200,000***from Sam Finley, Inc., Box 2389, Roanoke, Va., bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. surf course 16.3 mi. from U. S. 258 at Lizzie north to the Wilson Co. line via Wooten's crossroads and Appie, from Wilson Co. line southeast to junction 1.8 mi. south of Appie, Proj. 2-9-18-202, Greene Co., $58,-080, est. $50,000-$75,000; bit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 43.95 mi. Parker Store Rd. by Union School to Landsford, Pyler Mill, Ridge Road and Jim Chaney Rds., Monroe-Olive Branch to Fairview, Indian Trail Sardis Rd., New Town Rd., N. C. 75 west to N. C. 16, Proj. 7-9-66-209, Union Co., $127,985, est. $150,000-$175,000; bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. or b. conc. 35.7 mi. 9 sections of county roads, Proj. 6-9-55-206, Moore Co., $97,383, est. $100,000-$125,000; sand asph. surf. course 26.4 mi. surfacing 5 sections county roads, Proj. 9-9-307, 3-9-34-206, Duplin and Sampson Counties, $137,781, est. $150,000-$175,000, from Zeigler-Cline Constr. Co., Box 386, Fayetteville, sand asph. base and surf. course 23.9 mi. U. S. 74 and 76 between Bolton and Whiteville and from Bolton east 5 mi. from junction U. S. 701 south of Whiteville through Brunswick on N. C. 130, Proj. BS 3-6-29-124, Columbus Co., $124,717, est. $125,000-$150,000; sand asph. surf. course 4.4 mi. extension of Autryville and Salemburg Rd. from end of pavement east through Salemburg to Highhouse Rd. via Bearskin, Proj. 3-9-34-207, Sampson Co., $50,908, est. $50,000-$75,000*** from Shepherd Constr. Co., Box 3299, Stat. F, Atlanta, Ga., b. conc. binder and surf. course 12.25 mi. U. S. 301 from north city limits of Rocky Mount to point in Whitaker near north city limits, Proj. BS 4-6-17-134, Nash Co., $109,740, est. $125,000-$150,000*** from J. F. Cleckley & Co., Orangeburg, S. C., bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. or b. conc. 28.4 mi. 11 sections county roads, Proj. 6-9-57-211, Robeson Co., $77,980, est. $75,000-$100,000 bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. or b. conc. 32 mi. 9 sections county roads, Proj. 6-9-57-209, Robeson Co., $92,596, est. $75,000-$100,000 ***from Ballenger Paving Co., Greenville, S. C., bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. or b. conc. 252 mi. 96 sections county roads Proj. 6-9-58-207, Scotland Co., $67,212, est. $50,000-$75,000,

from Thompson-Arthur Constr. Co., Box 1197, Greensboro, bit. surf. tr. or sand asph. or b. conc. 17.8 mi. from Bennett toward Siler City 13.4 mi., from U. S. 421 at Mt. Vernon Springs to Mt. Vernon Springs Hotel, from Silk Hope north to Alamance Co., Proj. 6-9-50-207, Chatham Co., $58,076, est. $50,000-$75,000***from White Constr. Co., Lillington, sand asph. surf. course 9.5 mi. from California on N. C. 121 on county road to N. C. 43 via Kings and Dupree Crossroads, from Kings Crossroads to Falkland, Proj. 2-9-24-203, Pitt Co., $57,521, est. $50,000-$75,000; sand asph. surf. course 10.27, mi. from Willow Green to Longs Crossroads on U. S. 264 from point east of Stokes, east to Beaufort Co. line, from junction of county road in Penny Hill, east to county road between Belvoir and U. S. 64, Proj. 2-9-18-205, 2-9-24-207, Green and Pitt Counties, $89,421, est. $75,000-

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$100,000***from H. R. Stewart & Co., 5 Westchester Dr., Asheville, traffic bound macad., bit. surf., tr. or b. conc. 12 mi. 10 sections county roads, Proj. 10-9-92-204, Haywood Co., $113,712, est. $150,000-$175,000.

from A. R. Thompson Contractor, Inc., Rutherfordton, STBC, bit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 19.6 mi. Waco to Goforths Store, Oak Grove to Kings Mountain Baker's Crossroads to Cleveland-Gastin Co. line, Cleveland-Gaston Co. line to Helms Store, from N. C. 277 to Lincoln-Gaston Co. line, Dallas to High Shoal Proj. 9-9-80-204, 9-9-81-204, Cleveland and Gaston Counties, $131,862, est. $175,000-$200,000***from Ray D. Lowder, Inc., Albemarle, S. T. B. C., traffic bound macad., bit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 13.4 mi. Providence Road 200 South, Indian Trail toward Waxhaw, from U. S. 74 south, Old Lancaster Rd. from Waxhaw south, Proj. 7-9-66-207, Union Co., $91,304, est. $75,000-$100,000***from Superior Stone Co., Insurance Bldg., Raleigh, furnishing, hauling, dumping on road traffic bound macad., 36.1 mi., 5 sects. county roads, Proj. 7-9-66-208, Union Co., $136,340, est. $150,000-$175,000***from Setzer Constr. Co., Hickory, STBC, bit. surf. tr. or b. conc. 9.8 mi. 3 sections county roads, in vicinity of Rhodhiss, Hildebran and Drexel, Proj. 9-9-78-203, Burke Co., $79,006, est. $100,000-$125,000. CD 2/20.

▲ **North Dakota**—State Hy. Dpt., Bismarck, Mar. 3, from Western Contg. Corp., 400 Benson Bldg., Sioux City, Ia., air-entrained c. conc. pavement, etc. 15.758 mi. U. S. Hy. 81 from Fargo South to Cass-Richland Co. line, FAP No. F-1 (6), Cass Co., $772,787***from W. H. Noel Co., Jamestown, traffic service grav., etc. 10.639 mi. State Hy. 32 from Lisbon south to Ransom-Sargent Co. line, FAP No. F-28 (12), Ransom Co., $120,188; traffic service grav., etc. 12.3 mi. State Hy. 7 from Glenfield East, FAP Nos. F-102 (2), F-99 (2), F-17 (7) and F-50 (3), Foster and Griggs Counties, $123,221*** traffic service grav., etc. 6.202 mi. U. S. Hy. 12 from Marmarth west to North Dakota-Montana state line, U. S. Hy. 12, FAP No. F-379 (13), Slope Co., $99,836***from Northern Constr. Co., 509 S. 3 St., Grand Forks, b. conc. surf., etc. 11.275 mi. State Hy. 1 from Oakes north and south, FAP No. F-211 (5), Dickey Co., $246,646***from P. A. Bradbury Constr. Co., 124 1st Ave. N. E., Aberdeen, S. D., base, b. conc. surf., etc. 13.207 mi. State Hys. 17 and 20 from Starkweather to south of Webster, FASP Nos. S-153 (3) and S-224 (8), Ramsey Co., $289,715***from Peter Kiewit & Sons Co., 1024 Omaha Natl. Bank Bldg., Omaha, Neb., base, b. conc. surf., etc. 18.437 mi. State Hy. 3 from Dunseith south to Rolette-Pierce Co. line, FASP No. S-331 (4), Rolette Co., $431,702. CD 2/16.

▲ **Pennsylvania**—State Hy. and Bridge Auth., 506 N. Office Bldg., Harrisburg, Mar. 3, Schedule 1, construct divided highway consisting of two 24 ft. lanes of c. conc. pavement on each side of a variable width concrete and earth divisor area, incl. construction of one rein.-con. structure and three I-beam bridges, grading and drainage variable 82 to 130 ft. in width, crushed stone base with bit. surf. 22 ft. wide and two I-beam bridges, grading 6,749 lin. ft. roadbed for relocating railroad, incl. two plate girder bridges and one rein.-con. structure and raising of 4,650 lin. ft. railroad roadbed incl. raising an existing bridge superstructure and construct one plate girder bridge, 20,437 ft. L. R. 769 (1-A); 46174 (1); 769 (1-B), from village of King of Prussia to village of Gulph Mills, a sect. of Schuylkill Expressway to link Pennsylvania Turnpike with city of Phila., Montgomery Co., from James D. Morrissey, Inc., 9119 Frankford Ave., Phila., $2,616,669; Schedule 2, construct one plate girder bridge, from Francis A. Canuso & Sons, 804 S. 12 St., Phila., $772,361. CD 2/13.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Tex., Galena Park—Galena Pines, Inc., Galena Park, street paving, to Marvin Brown, Inc., 4304 Dixie Dr., Houston, $52,200. Still, Wildman & Crockett, 3509 Almeda Rd., Houston, engrs.

Tex., Kountze—Hardin Co., c/o Kountze Road Dist., Kountze, hard surf. some streets in Kountze townsite, $95,000; hard surf. in Kountze Road Dist., areas adjacent to city, $115,000. Own forces. CD 9/16.

EARTHWORK, WATERWAYS

BIDS ASKED

† **N. J., East Orange**—B.D. 3/22—U. S. Eng., 80 Lafayette St., New York 13, N. Y., site preparation, excavation and storm sewer at Veterans Admin. Hospital, Tremont Ave. and Center St., No. 30-075-50-75. Extended date. CD 2/8.

† **Oregon**—B.A. 3/28—U. S. Eng., Pittock Block, Portland, construct bank protection works and channel imprvs. along both banks of Coast Fork of Willamette River at McCully location, 5 mi. southeast of Eugene, Lane Co., CIVENG-35-026-50-279.

† **New York**—B.A. 4/4—U. S. Eng., 80 Lafayette St., New York, Zone 13, channel imprvs., Hoosick Falls, Rensselaer Co., CIVENG-30-075-50-67, $350,000. Extended date.

† **Nebraska**—B.A. On or about 4/5—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Zone 2, bank protection for Omaha Floodwall and Minne Lusa Sewer, Omaha, Douglas Co. Spec. No. CIVENG-25-068-50-142.

† **California**—B.A. 4/13—U. S. Eng., Wright Bldg., Sacramento, earth fill dam, concrete spillway etc., 4 mi. east of Farmington, San Joaquin Co., Spec. 041-167-50-21.

LOW BIDDERS

† **California**—U. S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Feb. 28, 2,000 ft. Live Oak Wash Channel, 20 ft. wide, San Gabriel River La Verne, CIVENG-

04-343-50-28, from Gould & Cross, 19114 S. Vermont Ave., Gardena, $341,512. Est. $200,000, $500,000. CD 2/8.

† Calif., Los Angeles—U. S. Eng., 751 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Feb. 24, Compton Creek imprvt. Hooper Ave. storm drain to Lanzit Ave., CIVENG-04-343-50-26, from P. & J. Artukovith, 13305 S. San Pedro St., $651,271. Est. $200,000-$500,000. CD 1/27.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

† Idaho—U. S. Eng., 19 E. Poplar St., Walla Walla, Wash., bank protection on Kootenai River at vicinity of Hy. 95 bridge, Bonners Ferry, CIVENG-45-108-50-58, to Stoen's Rock & Landscape Co., 8406 Aurora Ave., Seattle 3, Wash., $31,943. Est. 26,511.

Tex., Galena Park—Galena Pines, Inc., Galena Park, drainage, open type, to Marvin Brown, Inc., 4304 Dixie Dr., Houston, $35,965. Still, Wildman & Crockett, 3509 Almeda Rd., Houston, engrs.

AIRPORTS

BIDS ASKED

† S. D., Rapid City—PARKING APRON—B.A. About 4/11—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha 2, Neb., addnl. parking apron for Rapid City Air Force Base, Weaver, Spec. No. 25-066-50-7. CD 10/26/48.

LOW BIDDERS

▲ Ill., Chicago—TERMINAL—City, Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall, Zone 3, Feb. 28, Terminal Bldg. Finger B, initial construction Contr. No. 2 O'Hare Field, Chicago International Airport, near Des Plaines, from Great Lakes Constr. Co., 25 E. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, $1,320,899. CD 2/7.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

BIDS ASKED

Pa., Phila.—HOSPITAL—B.A. 3/20—Dpt. P. Health, City Hall Annex, boiler house alterations, addns., Phila. General Hospital. Approx. $75,000. CD 2/3/57.

Que., Lachine—SCHOOL—B. A. 3/20—Mrs. V. Dixon, secy., Protestant School Comn., 3460 McTavish St., Montreal, 190 x 340 x 55 ft., rein.-con., brick school on 48 Ave. Plans deposit $150. J. C. Meadowcroft, 4115 W. Sherbrooke St., Montreal, archt.

Ark., Little Rock—PHYSICAL EDUCATION—B.A. 3/21—Little Rock School Bd., 8 and Louisiana Sts., physical education bldg. at Little Rock Senior High School, $300,000. CD 10/27.49.

▲ Conn., New Britain—HOUSING—B. A. 3/21—City of New Britain Housing Auth., 16 Armistice St., 180 family units Corbin Ave. $2,000,000. Plans deposit $40. Henry Ludorf, 100 Pearl St., Hartford, archt. CD 11/2.

Mass., Stoneham—SCHOOL—B.A. 3/21—Town, Bd. Selectmen, Town Hall, 2 story, brick, steel school, $300,000. Plans deposit $25 refundable. Kilham, Hopkins Greeley & Brodie, 19 Arlington St., Boston, archts. CD 9/16.

† Mass., Truro—BUILDINGS, etc.—B.A. 3/21—U. S. Eng.., Bldg. 21, Naval Drydock, South Boston, six 1 story, rein.-con., concrete block bldgs. twelve 2 story, wood concrete block bldgs., utilities. CIVENG 19-016-50-21. Plans deposit $60. Extended date. CD 2/1, under Unclassified.

Mich., Owosso—SCHOOLS—B. A. 3/21—Bd. Educ., Union School Dist., 2 elementary schools and 2 high school addns. $990,000. Plans deposit $25. Warren S. Holmes Co., Olds Tower, Lansing, archt.

Minn., Hanska—SCHOOL—B.A. 3/21—Bd. Educ., M. Ouren, clk., 3 story, bsmnt. 102x116 ft. school addn. Approx. $300,000. Plans deposit $15, Long & Thorshov, 400 Metropolitan Life Bldg., Minneapolis, archts, CD 2/16.

Calif., Columbia—ARMORY—B.A. 3/28—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, type A, rein.-con. armory for California National Guard. Plans deposit $25. Anson Boyd, Sacramento, state archt.

▲ Calif., Ceres—HOSPITAL—B.A. 3/29—Stanislaus County Memorial Hospital Assn., 910 11 St., Modesto, 2 story, L-shaped, rein.-con. 106-bed hospital, near here. $1,000,000. Plans deposit $100. Robt. Stanton & Chester R. Phillips, Box 2177 Carmel, archts. CD 2/1. CD 2/19/48

La., Port Allen—SCHOOL—B.A. 3/29—West Baton Rouge Parish, Port Allen, face brick, tile, steel joist, Port Allen School. Goodman & Miller, 125 North Blvd., Baton Rouge, archts. CD 11/2.

† Ohio—DWELLINGS, UTILITIES—B.A. 3/29—U. S. Eng., Madison Ave. and 8 St. W., Huntington 18, W. Va., dwellings, utilities. Burr Oak Reservoir Proj., East Branch of Sunday Creek, Serial No. CIVENG-46-022-50-86. CD 2/17.

▲ Ore., Portland—OFFICE—B.A. 4/3—State Bd. Control, Salem, 10 story, rein.-con. state office. 5 and Clay Sts. $2,500,000. Dougan, Helms & Caine, Terminal Sales Bldg., archts. CD 9/23.

▲† New York—BUILDINGS, etc.—B.A. 4/6—U. S. Eng., 80 Lafayette St., New York, Zone 13, buildings, utilities, No. Eng-30-975-50-67. $1,000,000. Extended date. CD 2/1.

LOW BIDDERS

Calif., Covina—UTILITY—City School Dist., Covina, Feb. 21. 7,385 ft. utility bldgs., 3225 S. Baranca St. from Wm. Crowell Co., 170 E. California St., Pasadena. $198,440. CD 2/13.

Calif., Los Angeles—GARAGE, etc.—Bd. Educ., 1425 S. San Pedro St., Feb. 24, 2 story underground garage and 3 story office, from Alliance Constr. Co., 35 N. Raymond Ave., Pasadena. $954,630. CD 2/3.

† Calif., Point Mugu—INSTRUMENTATION—Yards & Docks Annex, Navy Dpt., Arlington, Va., Feb. 28, 1 story, 100x260 ft. rein.-con. instrumentation bldg., and 5 story 22x44 ft. tower. Spec. 23462, from AL-CO Co., 5423 Flemish Village Lane, Los Angeles. $461,895.

Tex., Dallas—SCHOOL—Dallas Independent School Dist., Akard and Royal Sts., cancelled bids to have been opened Mar. 14, Lincoln High School addn. $350,000. CD 3/1.

Tex., Irving—SCHOOLS—Irving Independent School Dist., Irving, Feb. 24, two stucco, brick schools, concrete slab fdn. and frame, from Carpenter Bros., 1335 Plowman St., Dallas. $273,491. Est. $425,000. CD 2/7.

† Location Withheld—BUILDINGS, etc.—U. S. Eng., 80 Lafayette St., New York 13, N. Y., Feb. 28, misc. bldgs., utilities, No. Eng-30-075-50-60, from Arthur Venneri Co., 259 N. Broad St., Elizabeth, N. J. $778,499. CD 1/13.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

▲ Calif., Los Angeles—LAW—Bd. Regents University of California, 405 Hilgard Ave., 3 story, bsmnt., rein.-con., brick 70,000 sq. ft. law bldg., to R. J. Daum Constr. Co., 6803 West Blvd. $1,014,581. Bids 12/21, awarded 2/8. CD 12/28, under LB.

Idaho, Orofino—UTILITY—State Comr. P. Wks., Boise, utility bldg. at State Hospital North, to J. H. Wise & Son, 424 Broadway, Boise. $240,451. CD 3/2, under LB.

† Mich., Fort Custer—APARTMENTS—U. S. Eng., Fort Custer, conversion 56 barracks into apartments, to F. J. Skidmore & Son, Battle Creek. $686,650.

COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

SOON LETS CONTRACT

Ill., Aurora—RECTORY, etc.—Holy Angels Parish, 23 Locust St., soon lets contract, 3 story rectory, parish hall and 1 story church, both concrete, brick, steel. Pace Assoc., 53 W. Jackson St., Chicago, archts.

▲ R. I., Quonset Point and Davisville—HOUSING—Dist. Pub. Wks. Office, 1st Naval Dist., Navy Bldg., 495 Summer St., Boston 10, Mass., soon lets contract construct, finance, manage 120 dwelling units at Naval Air Station, Quonset Point and at Naval Yards and Docks Supply Depot, Davisville. $1,300,000.

▲ Tex., Houston—OFFICE—Gulf Building Corp., Gulf Bldg., soon lets contract 16 story, bsmnt office, $2,-500,000. A. C. Finn, Bankers Mortgage Bldg., archt. Robert J. Cummins, and Reginald F. Taylor, Bankers Mortgage Bldg., engrs. CD 2/2.

LOW BIDDERS

▲ N. J., Jersey City—HOUSING—Prudential Insurance Co., 763 Broad St., Newark, project abandoned, housing on 22 acre site bounded by Westside Ave., Boardman Parkway and Audubon Ave., $4,000,000. Kelly & Gruzen, 80 Fifth Ave., New York 3, N. Y., archts. CD 1/7/49.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Calif., Compton—DWELLINGS—Mrs. W. Frame, 10222 S. St. Andres Pl., Los Angeles, and Carl Sopp, 1038 E. Olive St., 156 frame, stucco dwellings, Bennett, Caldwell, Tichenor and Claud Sts., to James Norris, 12433 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles. Approx. $780,-000. Southwest Drafting Service, 2724 W. Florence Ave., Los Angeles, archts.

▲ Calif., Los Angeles—APARTMENTS—Chesapeake Bldg. Corp., c/o Max Maltzman, archt., 4015 W. Jefferson St., 29 two story 400,000 sq. ft. apartments at Rodeo and Santa Barbara Sts., to W. E. Robertson Co., 4015 W. Jefferson St., Approx. $4,000,000.

Calif., Los Angeles—CHURCH—Roman Catholic Archbishop 714 W. Olympic St., 80x146 ft., rein.-con. St. Mathias Church, 3095 Florence Ave., to Barrett & Hilp, 3671 W. 6 St., Los Angeles, $275,000. Kauzor Bros., 2033 W. 7 St., archt.

Calif., Whittier—DWELLINGS—H. M. Brinker & Son, 655 Van Ness St., Los Angeles, 100 frame, stucco dwellings. Owner builds, $600,000. Lawrence B. Clapp, 1320 2 St., Santa Monica, archt.

▲ Ill., Chicago—DEPARTMENT STORE—Goldblatt Department Store, Madison and Paulina Sts., Zone 12, 1 story, bsmnt., 125x467 ft. department store, to Inland Constr. Co., 134 S. La Salle St., Zone 3, $1,400,000. Friedman, Alschuler & Sincere, 223 W. Jackson St., Zone 6, archts. Bids 2/6, awarded 2/23. CD 1/30.

▲ Md., Baltimore—HOUSING—The Fenwick Corp. of Baltimore, 11 E. Fayette St., one hundred forty-seven, 2 story, brick, row type houses, 3600-68, 3601-93, Dudley Ave., 3638-98 and 3637 to 9941/2 Register Ave., separate contracts, $1,035,000. Lawrence A. Menefee, 376 N. Charles St., archt.

R. I., East Providence—HOUSING—Ralph D. Ordine, 45 Prescott Ave., frame housing, Glenrose Park. Owner builds. $250,000.

Tex., Houston—DWELLINGS—Ruberfield Realty Co., 5223 Humble Rd., 35 dwellings, 9000 Chocolate Bayou, to Texas Building & Real Estate Corp., 5223 Humble Rd. Approx. $250,000. CD 3/2.

Utah, Salt Lake City—COMMERCIAL—Papanikolas Bros., c/o Nick E. Papanikolas, 1899 Imperial St., 46 unit modernistic South American Architecture commercial bldg., 21 South and 2nd East Sts. to Cannon-Papanikolas Constr. Co., 8927 W. 2700 South St., $500,000. Woods & Woods, 19 W. South Temple St., archts.

INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS

BIDS ASKED

Tex., San Antonio—STORAGE, etc.—B.A. 3/28—Humble Oil & Refining Co., Sales Dept., Humble Bldg., Houston, bulk station, products terminal, warehouse, garage and shop, electric control bldg., appurtenances for terminal proj., $250,000, Leroy F. Skubic, 53 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill., engr.; truck and railway loading docks, $75,000.

▲ Tex., Altair—GASOLINE PLANT—Bids Asked—Superior Oil Co., Oil & Gas Bldg., Houston, (selected ist bidders) gasoline plant. $1,500,000. CD 3/3.

▲ Tex., Etter—CHEMICAL PLANT—Bids Asked—Phillips Chem.cal Co., Etter, 100,000 tons annually chemical plant expansion, Approx. $3,000,000. CD 2/7.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Calif., Woodland—WAREHOUSE—Adams, Schwab & Adams, 428 Main St., steel, concrete bulk grain warehouse to Bayles-Joost, 24 California St., San Francisco, approx. $225,000.

Kan., St. Francis—GRAIN ELEVATOR—Hart-Bartlett-Sturtevant Grain Co., St. Francis, cement tube type grain elevator, to Jack Constr. Co., Security National Bank Bldg., Kansas City, Kan., $200,000.

Que., St. Laurent—FACTORY—Canadian Industrial Glass Co. Ltd., 8 Napoleon St., 1 story, concrete, brick factory, to L. Donolo, Inc., 8320 St. Lawrence St., Montreal $750,000. E. Peters, c/o owner, archt. CD 1/23.

UNCLASSIFIED

BIDS ASKED

† N. C., Fort Bragg—UNDERGROUND CONDUIT, etc.—B.A. After 3/15—U. S. Eng., 308 Customhouse, Wilmington, underground conduit, pull boxes, manholes and installation of telephone cables. Inv. No. Eng.-31-075-50-3. CD 3/6.

Pennsylvania—TOLL BOOTHS—B.A. 3/20—Pennsylvania Turnpike Comn., 11 N. 4 St., Harrisburg, 36 toll booths with canopies and equipment and accessories for 50 traffic lanes at 14 interchange toll plazas on eastern and western extens. of Pennsylvania Turnpike. Plans deposit $7.50. R. B. Stone, c/o owner, ch. engr.

Pa., West Chester—STAIR TOWERS—B.A. 3/22—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, fireproof stair towers in Freshman Hall at West Chester State Teachers College, incl. repairs to Reynolds Dormitory. $66,000. Plans deposit $2.50. Douglas M. Blum, 23 S. Main St., Phoenixville, archt. A. F. Jones, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 12/23.

† Neb., Maxwell—CEMETERY FACILITIES—B.A. On Or About 3/30—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Zone 2, addnl. facilities at Fort McPherson National Cemetery, approx. 15 mi. southeast of North Platte, Lincoln Co., Spec. No. 25-066-50-4.

N. S. Deepbrook—WHARF REPAIRS—B.A. 4/19—J. D. McCarthy, secy. Canadian Commercial Corp., 70 Lyon St., Ottawa, Ont., Tender No. G-3-28-377. Approx. $60,000. Plans deposit $25.

Missouri—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—B.A. About 4/28—Barton Co. Electric Co-operative, C. W. Holcomb, Jr. mgr., Lamar, about 50 mi. single-phase and 3 phase rural distr. lines, Approx. $50,000. Frank Horton Co., Lamar, engr. CD 2/9.

LOW BIDDERS

Calif., Los Angeles—TRANSMISSION LINE—Dpt. Water & Power, 207 S. Broadway, rejected bids Feb. 24, Proposal 1 and 3, transmission line from Owens River Gorge to Receiving Station E. CD 2/6.

Calif., Los Angeles—PARK IMPRVT.—Bd. Supervs. Los Angeles Co., 501 Hall of Records, Feb. 28, East Montebello Park Imprvt., from Zengel Constr. Co., 5736 E. Olympic Blvd., $52,943, Est. $55,220. CD 2/8.

La., Shreveport—STADIUM—City Council, City Hall, Feb. 25, concrete State Fair Athletic Stadium addn., from Southern Builders, Inc., P. O. Box 1815, $237,-000. CD 1/25.

New York—DRAINAGE EQUIPMENT—Bd. Transportation, 250 Hudson St., New York, Zone 13, Feb. 24, enlarging capacity of drainage equip. in 11 pump rooms on Line D-IND Div., Queens Boro, from Malan Plumbing Co. Inc., 25-09 42 Rd., Long Island City, $79,220. CD 6/21.

Oregon—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—Douglas Electric Co-operative, Pacific Bldg., Roseburg, Feb. 24, 93 mi., 72003-12470 rural distr. lines, incl. clearing and construction, Douglas Co., from Menzel & Kimball, Redding, Calif., $299,293. CD 2/8.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Calif., Los Angeles—TRANSMISSION LINE—Dpt. Water & Power, 207 S. Broadway, transmission line from Owens River Gorge to Receiving Station E, Proposal 2, to Jose Bush Service, 670 Broadway El Centrol, $586,395. CD 2/6.

Ia., Davis City—DAM—State Conservation Comn., 914 Grand St., Des Moines, dam, earthwork, shore riprapping, Nine Eagles Lake, near here, to Central Constr. Co., Indianola, $100,203. Bids 2/23. CD 6/16.

▲ Washington—SNOWSHEDS—State Hy. Dpt., Olympia, 1,800 ft. rein.-con. snowsheds on Snoqualmie Pass Hy. at Airplane Curve and Lake Keechelus, King and Kittitas Counties, to C. W. Wilder Co. and Gaasland Co., Inc., Bellingham, $1,015,621. Bids 2/28. CD 2/13.

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WATER SUPPLY

BIDS ASKED

Ia., Humboldt—B. A. 3/24—City, City Hall, water filtration and storage plant addn. $40,000. H. R. Green Co., 417-1 Ave. S. E., Cedar Rapids, engr.

Tex., Pasadena—Bids Asked—George W. Batten Co., 1620 Mo St., Houston, water lines, facilities, Berkshire Village, southeast sect. of city, $45,000.

Tex., San Antonio—Bids Asked—E. J. Burke & Sons, 4220 S. Zarzamora St., c.i. water lines, $40,000. W. W. Vander Heck, c/o owner, engr.

Tex., San Antonio—Bids Asked—Lee & Orts, Gunter Bldg., water lines, facilities, between S. Flores St. and Pleasanton Rd. $35,000.

Wis., Appleton—Bids Asked—City, City Hall, WW impvt., (A) discharge line (B) influent conduit. Total est. $150,000 Alvord Burdick Howson, 20 N. Wacker St., Chicago, Zone 6, Ill., engrs. CD 3/3.

LOW BIDDERS

Mass., Lynn—Commonwealth of Mass., Metropolitan Dist. Comn., 20 Somerset St., Boston, Mar. 2. Contr. 169 furnish, lay 11,700 lin. ft. 3⅜ in. c.i. pipe, from S. Ratondi & Sons, 140 Franklin St., Stoneham, $388,620, CD 2/14.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Mass., Bourne—Town Water Dist., install water mains, to Graccio Bros., 9 Cross St., Fairhaven, $41,600. Bids 2/28. Whitman & Howard, 89 Broad St., Boston, engrs.

Tex., Houston—Glenmore Forest, c/o Homer Y. Jones, Sterling Bldg., water lines, facilities, north of Neuthard Rd., own forces. Approx. $35,000. Thomas D. Heaney, 2113 State St., engr.

Wash., La Conner—City, City Hall, 24,300 ft. 6 and 8 in. asbestos cement watermains, to Rainier Constr. Co., Renton, $77,001. Est. $79,709. CD 2/16.

Wash., Seattle—City, County—City Bldg., watermains in Lucile, Orcas Sts., and California Ave. etc., to Argentiere & Colarossi, 1815 Jackson St., Seattle, $130,107. Bids 3/1.

SEWERS, WASTE DISPOSAL

BIDS ASKED

Pa., Phila.—B.A. 3/20—Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall Annex, intercepting sewer, Willis to Grant Aves. Approx. $500,000. A Zane Hoffman, c/o owner, ch. engr. CD 7/1/46.

Tex., Pasadena—Bids Asked—George W. Batten Co., 1620 Mo St., Houston, sanitary sewers, Berkshire Village, southeast sect of city, $75,000. CD 3/2; storm sewers same location, $60,000.

Tex., San Antonio—Bids Asked—Lee & Orts, Gunter Bldg., sanitary and storm sewers between S. Flores St., and Pleasanton Rd. $60,000.

Tex., San Antonio—Bids Asked—E. J. Burke & Sons, 4220 S. Zarzamora St., sanitary sewers., $50,000. W. W. Vander Heck, c/o owner, engr.

LOW BIDDERS

Calif., Fresno—City, City Hall, Mar. 2, storm water sewer in portion U. S. Hy. 99, from Stockton Constr. Co., Box 2087 Stockton, $55,908. CD 4/23/47.

Ill., Chicago—Sanitary Dist. of Chicago, 910 S. Michigan St., Mar. 2, South Side Intercepting Sewer, Contr. 5 and Racine Ave. Pumping Station Div., K combined, from Santucci Constr. Co., Skokie, $567,498***Southwest sewage treatment works alterations to dust precipitators and misc. work, Contr. 49-29, from Independent Boiler & Tank Co., 1249 N. Clark St., $629,963***furnishing, installing air filters, duct work, West-Southwest Sewage Treatment Works Contr. 49-30 from Zack Co., 4610 W. 12 Pl., Cicero, $138,846. CD 2/1.

Ill., Freeport—City, City Hall, storm sewers, from Santucci Constr. Co., 4044 Carol St., Skokie, $990,000. Consoer Townsend & Assoc., 351 E. Ohio St., Chicago, Zone 11, engrs.

Ill., Marion—City, City Hall, sewerage sys., treatment works, from R. W. Ford, 704 S. Market St., $87,170 and $220,952 respectively. W. W. Miller, City Hall, city engr. Consoer Townsend & Assoc., 351 E. Ohio St., Chicago, Zone 11, engrs.

▲ N. Y., New York—Dpt. P. Wks., Municipal Bldg., Zone 7, Mar. 7, Hunts Point Sewage Treatment Works, Contr. 3A, Hunts Point intercepting sewers, from Tully & DiNapoli, Inc., 30-11 12 St., Long Island City, $2,690,300; Contr. 2A, Bronx River Siphon, an uptake and downtake shaft; and an 84 in. diam. sewer crossing under Bronx River, connecting two sects. of intercepting sewers, from Quist Constr. Co., 54 Dahlgren Pl., Brooklyn, Zone 9, $517,610. CD 2/9.

Pa., Phila.—Dpt. P. Wks., City Hall Annex, Mar. 3, intercepting sewer, 70 St. from Joseph Lombardi & Sons, 1311 S. Broad St. $717,920. Est. $900,000. CD 2/27.

Wash., Oroville—Town, Town Hall, Mar. 3, Sched. 1, 32,300 ft. 6- to 18-in. sewers, from Stoker Constr. Co., Nyssa, Ore., $70,336; Sched. 2, sewage treatment plant and lift station, from G. R. Frix, Oroville, $111,739, Est. $223,350. CD 2/23.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Tex., Houston—Glenmore Forest, c/o Homer Y. Jones, Sterling Bldg., sanitary and storm sewers, north of Neuthard Rd., own forces. Approx. $61,000. Thomas D. Heaney, 2113 State St., engr.

Ont., Acton—Municipality, sewers, to Sparton Constr. Co., Ltd., 627 Adelaide St. W., Toronto, $110,000. R. F. Smith, Oakville, engr.

BRIDGES

BIDS ASKED

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS

March 21	March 31
Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
March 22	
Louisiana	April 7
Ontario	Georgia &
March 24	South Carolina
Minnesota	
March 30	
California	April 23
New Jersey	New Jersey

New Jersey—B.A. 3/23—New Jersey Turnpike Auth., War Memorial Bldg., Trenton.

Hudson and Essex Counties—constr. 20 piers, one abutment and foundations for south approach and 25 piers one abutment and foundations for north approach of Passaic River Bridge structure, Contr. 14. CD 7/13, under Streets and Roads.

New Jersey—B.A. 3/28—New Jersey Turnpike Auth., War Memorial Bldg., Trenton.

Hudson Co.—Contr. 16, south abutment, twenty south approach piers, 13 north approach piers, north abutment and 2 construction road embankments one on each side of river, etc., Hackensack River near Laurel Hill, Sect. 7. CD 7/13, under Streets and Roads.

LOW BIDDERS

Massachusetts—Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., Boston, Feb. 28, 2 steel stringer bridges, approaches, for Boston to Fall River Expressway, F-344 (1), Berkeley, from Dwyer Bros. of R. I., Inc., P. O. Box 187, Broadway Station, Newport, R. I., $235,779. CD 2/16.

Tennessee—State Hy. Dpt., Nashville, Mar. 3, bridge, approaches over Nolichucky River on State Route 107, 5 mi. east of Greeneville, Greene Co. from Oman Const. Co., Acker Park, Nashville, $192,650; bridge over Duck River on State Route 13, 10 mi. south of Waverly, Humphreys Co., from J. B. Michael & Co., 1021 Heywood St., Memphis, $310,328. CD 2/10.

† Virginia—Bureau Pub. Rds., Dpt. Commerce, 1440 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Mar. 2, rein.-con., stone bridge across Blue Ridge Parkway, on State Route 89, 0.215 mi. Proj. 1W2, near Galax, Grayson Co., from Vecellio Constr. Co., P. O. Box 1307, Roanoke, Zone 7, $159,989. CD 2/6.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Pennsylvania—Pennsylvania Turnpike Comn., 11 N. 4 St., Harrisburg, substructure 2,279 ft. Allegheny River Bridge, near Oakmont on western exten. of Pennsylvania Turnpike Sys., Allegheny Co., to Dravo Corp., Neville Island, Pittsburgh, $914,818. Bids 2/21. CD 2/24, under LB.

STREETS AND ROADS

BIDS ASKED

STATE HIGHWAY LETTINGS

March 22	March 30
Ontario	California
March 24	March 31
Minnesota	Pennsylvania

† Washington—B. A. 3/29—U. S. Eng., 4735 E. Marginal Way Seattle, Zone 4, constr., roads, walks, parking areas bldg., water and sewer utilities, electrical distr. sys. overhead steam distr. sys., fencing and reconstr. access road for construction of Station P/44, Clallam Co. CIVENG-45-108-50-67.

† Missouri—B. A. 3/30—Bureau P. Rds., Dpt. Commerce, at Office Dist. Ranger, U. S. Forest Service, Fredericktown.

Perry Co.—crushed stone or crushed grav. base course 5.502 mi. State Forest Hy. Proj. 47-A (roadwork). Plans deposit $10. H. J. Spelman, div. engr.

Tex., Pasadena—Bids Asked—George W. Batten Co., 1620 Mo St., Houston, c. conc. paving streets in 125 acre sub-division, Berkshire Village southeast sect. of city $85,000. CD 3/2.

Tex., San Antonio—Bids Asked—E. J. Burke & Sons, 4220 S. Zarzamora St., construct new streets and asph. paving, Coliseum Park area. $60,000. W. W. Vander Heck c/o owner, engr.

Tex., San Antonio—Bids Asked—Lee & Orts, Gunter Bldg., street constr. and paving between S. Flores St. and Pleasanton Rd. $65,000.

LOW BIDDERS

Massachusetts—Commonwealth of Mass., Dpt. P. Wks., 100 Nashua St., Boston, rejected bids Feb. 7, state hy. and bridge constr. Federal Aided Proj. F-256 (9), Sutton, Northbridge, Douglas and Uxbridge, LB $778,852. New bid date Mar. 14, Approx. $650,000. CD 2/14, under LB.

Minn., Willmar—City, E. Brogen, clk., Feb. 27, 13,381 cu. yd. grading, 84,168 sq. yd. 3 in. aggregate base, and 1½ in. bit. surf. (hot mix) from H. Schultz Constr. Co., Carthage, S. D., $57,966.

Nebraska—State Dpt. Roads & Irrigation, Lincoln, Feb. 24, grading, bridge, armor coat, bit. sand, S-8C, and grading, culverts, armor coat, bit. sand, S-8D, both Thedford south, Thomas Co., from Ray Millis, 736 Keeline Bldg., Omaha, $126,974 and $173,597 respectively. CD 2/13.

New Hampshire—State Hy. Dpt., Concord, Mar. 2, grading, drainage, hot b. conc. pavement 1.048 mi. U. S. Route 3, village of Woodstock, Proj. No. F 209 (8) from William E. Dailey, North Bennington, Vt., $177,281. CD 8/25/44.

▲ New Jersey—New Jersey Turnpike Auth., 65 Prospect St., Trenton, Mar. 7,- Contr. 13, furnishing, placing, compacting various graded borrow excav. materials in embankments, stabilizing ground by use of vertical sand drains, excav. portion embankment placed overland and depositing materials so excavated on embankments, excav. ditches for mosquito control, etc. on connection with constr. New Jersey Turnpike from Linden-Elizabeth City line to Third Ave., Elizabeth, Union Co., from The Napp-Gracco Co., 241 Riverside Ave., Newark, $1,328,096. CD 2/27.

▲ New Jersey—New Jersey Turnpike Auth., 65 Prospect St., Trenton, Mar. 8, Contr. 10, grading, drainage, drainage structures, etc. in connection with constr. 6.1 mi. New Jersey Turnpike Sect. 5, Sta. 11 plus 20 to Sta 335 plus 67 from Raritan River to vicinity Main St., Woodbridge, Middlesex Co., from The Villa Contg Co., Inc., 233 North Ave. W., Westfield, $1,776,420. CD 2/27.

Pennsylvania—State Hy. Dpt., Harrisburg, Mar. 3, crushed stone base with bit. surf. 24 ft., 25 ft., 30 ft. and 33 ft. in width, and bit. surf. existing pavement and variable width plain c. conc. base wid'n. 24 ft., 26 ft., 28 ft. and 33 ft. and variable in width, 109 ft. L. R. 580 (1), Spur E; L. R. 23065 (1), between Clifton Heights Boro and Marple, from Delaware Co. from Union Paving Co., 1227 N. Broad St., Phila. Zone 22, $159,756***wid'n. pavement with crushed aggregate base 6 ft. and variable in width, build up existing pavement crushed aggregate base 16 ft. and variable in width, bit. surf. new base wid'n. and build up 22 ft. in width and construct crushed aggregate base and bit. surf. 22 ft. wide incl. one rein.-con. structure and one metal plate pipe structure, incl. constructing 4 rein.-con. bridges 24 0x0 ft. L. R. 88 (oR), T. R. 8 between Erie and Wattsburg Boro, Erie Co., from Penoyer Contg. Co. Inc., Bigler, $343,908***wid'n. pavement with granulated slag base 3 ft. and variable in width; bit surf. new base and existing pavement 20 ft. and variable in width and surf. existing pavement 20 ft. in width, 36.825 ft. L. R. 80 (1R), T. R. 158, from point 1¼ mi. south of Mercer to Mercer-Lawrence Co. line, Mercer Co. from The Kelley & Meyer Co. Inc., 1211 Gibson St., Youngstown, O., $144,252. CD 2/14.

South Dakota—State Hy. Comn., Pierre, Feb. 14, base course and bit. surf., 4.991 mi. Proj. S 338 (2), Turner Co., from J. L. Healy Constr. Co., 301 Western Bldg., Sioux Falls, $54,991. CD 2/21.

▲ Tennessee—State Hy. Dpt., Nashville, Mar. 3, from Gamble Constr. Co., Lee Hy., Chattanooga, wid'n., bituminous materials resurf. St. Route 1 from west limit to east limit of Rockwood, 2.2 mi.; of Route 1, from Crossville to Roane Co. line, 18.9 mi.; of Route 1 from Cumberland Co. line to Rockwood and section of State Route 29, from Route 1, south of Rockwood, to White Creek at Roane-Rhea Co. line, 7.7 mi., Roane and Cumberland Counties, $533,382; from Bullard Paving Co. Greeneville, bit. surf. on experiment station road (caps) from State Route 70 via Minks School, to approx. 5 mi. south of Greeneville, 5 mi. Greene Co., $52,231***from Mayo Paving Co., Volunteer Bldg., Chattanooga, wid'n., bituminous materials resurf. 8 mi. State Route 24 from intersection with Proj. FA-229-C-(2), near Cookeville to near Baxter, Putnam Co., $147,234***from J. B. Michael & Co., 1021 Heywood St. Memphis, c. conc. incl. 2 bridges, 1.4 mi. located sect. State Route 1 in Murfreesboro, Rutherford Co., $547,737; crushed stone surf. incl. bridge relocated section of Secondary 6171, from State Route 13, 1.4 mi. toward Bakerville, Humphreys Co., $148,024; gravel base with bit. road mix surf. and seal coat 5.1 mi. Secondary Rd. from junction of State Route 104 north of Shiloh Church to St. Route 76, at Atwood, Carroll Co., $76,220***wid'n. bit. materials resurf. 12.9 mi. St. Route 5 from Selmer to Chester Co. line, McNairy Co., $219,096***from Weymouth Const. Co., 2174 Person Ave., Memphis, concrete sidewalks, curb, gutters and storm sewers 1.1 mi. on east side of present pavement from dur West lane to Old Hickory Blvd. and west side from Stratton School to Old Hickory Blvd. on State Route 6, Davidson Co., $84,138***from Pullen & Owens, 3rd Natl. Bank Bldg., Nashville, crushed stone surf., 11.5 mi. sect. of Secondary 6174, from State Route 13 at McGlamery Stand to near Bear Creek at Lutts, Wayne Co., $116,270; crushed stone surf. 6.2 mi. Secondary No. 4244, from Algood eastward toward Monterery, Putnam Co., $71,625***from Ralph Rogers & Co., Inc., 720 Argyle Ave., Nashville, wid'n., bituminous materials resurf. and wid'n. bridge across Turners Creek 0.1 mi. State Route 1, from Davidson Co. line, Cheatham Co., $228,347; wid'n. resurf. pavement with bituminous materials, construct 2 bridges, 10.9 mi. State Route 2, from Brewer Creek to Manchester and Manchester to Hillsboro, Coffee Co., $431,264***from Sumers-Taylor Const. Co., Johnson City, crushed stone base and bituminous seal coat 6.3 mi. sect. Secondary No. 2402, from State Route 1, 6 mi. east of Kingston, northeastward to Roane-Loudon Co. line, Roane Co., $55,923; crushed stone surf. incl. 4 bridges 5.3 mi. Secondary No. 2374, from

end of Project S2374-(1) to North Carolina Line, Johnson Co., $71,828***from W. L. Hailey & Co., 314. 42 Ave. N. Nashville, grading, drainage, incl. 3 bridges of relocated section of State Route 11, 2.2 mi. from south limits of Springfield to 1 mi. north of city. Robertson Co., $268,978***from Warren Bros., Roads Co., Cowan Alley, Nashville, wid'n., bituminous materials resurf. 7.6 mi. State Route 1, from four lane pavement opposite Berry Field Rutherford Co. line. Davidson Co., $156,000. Received no bids Mar. 3, grading, drainage, surf., Secondary Road 8077 from Mount Carmel to concrete pavement in Covington, Tipton Co. CD 2/10.

Wisconsin—State Hy. Comn., Madison, Mar. 3, c. conc. 3.368 mi. The S. T. H. 20-North Co. Line (East Roadway) Rd., S. Hy. 20-Four Mile Rd. Sect. Proj. T 02-1 (8), U. S. Hy. 41, Racine Co., from R. R. Birdsal & Sons Co., 1025 12 St., Racine, $139,850***c. conc., 3.731 mi. The S. T. H. 20-North Co. Line (East Roadway) Rd., Four Mile Rd.-North Co. Line Sect., Proj. T 02-1 (8), U. S. Hy. 41, Contr. 2, Racine Co., from James Cape & Sons Co., 468 Water St., Racine, $161,850***b. conc. 7.099 mi. The S. T. Hy. 20-North Co. Line (East Roadway) Rd., Proj. T 02-1 (8), U. S. Hy. 41, Contr. 3, Racine Co., from Payne & Dolan of Wisconsin, Inc., 735 N. Water St., Milwaukee, $208,565. Cancelled bids to have been opened Mar. 3, c. conc. 8.474 mi. The La Crosse-Calvert Rd. and La Crosse-Coon Valley Rd., Projs. F 08-3 (24) and F 02-2 (16) U. S. Hys. 14 and 61 and S. T. Hy. 35, La Crosse Co., c. conc. The North Co. Line-Westby Rd., Proj. F 08-2 (14) U. S. Hys. 14 and 61, Contr. 1, Vernon Co. CD 2/15.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Arizona—State Hy. Dpt., 17 Ave. and Jackson St., Phoenix, aggregate base, bit. 4½ mi. Ehrenberg-Wickenburg Hy., Yuma Co., to Tanner Constr. Co., 731 N. 19 Ave., Phoenix, $63,000. Awarded 1/31.

▲ **Arkansas**—State Hy. Dpt., Little Rock, c. conc. 3.24 mi. Hy. 64, Gleason, Conway Co., and surf. 2.89 mi. Third St. part of U. S. Hy. 70, North Little Rock, Pulaski Co., to Ben M. Hogan, 1120 Fairview St., Little Rock, $190,750 and $77,751 respectively*** surf. 6.866 mi. Hy. 23, Eureka Springs, Carroll Co., to Reynolds & Williams, Tyler, Tex., $102,667*** road work 8.929 mi. Marion-St. Francis Levee Rd., U. S. Hy. 61, Marion, Crittenden Co., to J. B. Michael & Co., 1021 Heywood St., Memphis, Tenn., $785,315 ***road work and bridges on Hy. 82, Magnolia, Columbia Co., to S. E. Evans Constr. Co., 2914 North 0 St., Ft. Smith, $301,796***road work 10.9 mi. Hy. 67 Fulton, Hempstead Co., to D. F. Jones Constr. Co., Box 1365, Little Rock, $284,954***road work, surf. 4.489 mi. Hy. 68, Huntsville, Madison Co., to Southeast Constr. Co. Ind., 127½ Main St., Pine Bluff, $410,295***road work 11.822 mi. Hy. 20, Helena-Phillips Co., to Weymouth Constr Co., 2174 Person Ave., Memphis, Tenn., $252,316. Grand total, $2,105,-844. Bids 3/3. CD 2/24.

Delaware—State Hy. Dpt., Dover, 6 ft. wid'n. resurf. 112.172 mi. Laurel to Mission, Contr. 1001, Sussex Co., to Standard Bithulithic Co., foot of Brill St., Newark, N. J., $571,635. Bids 2/8, awarded 2/13. CD 2/15, under LB.

Iowa—State Hy. Comn., maintenance bit. resurf. 129.71 mi., MS-13, Div. 1, to Iowa Road Bldg. Co., Fairmont, Minn., $116,498; Div. 2, to Cameron, Joyce & Co., Keokuk, $102,971, Bids 2/28, awarded 3/1.

Mississippi—State Hy. Comn., Walter Spiva, dir., Jackson, grav. culverts, bridges, 6.495 mi. State Hy. 32 between Oakland and Water Valley Proj. 32-1504 (1) (Enid Dam), Yalobusha Co., to Blount Bros. Constr. Co., Box 270, Tuskegee, Ala., $252,708, Est. $335,000. Bids 2/28, CD 2/13.

Missouri—State Hy. Comn., Jefferson City, wid'n., 24 ft. b. conc. paving 4.979 mi., Rte. 61, road from Sikeston to New Madrid, Proj. 15(2) A, New Madrid Co. to Mid American Eng. Corp., Skokie, Ill., $130,-999. Bids 2/3, awarded 2/24. CD 1/18.

New Jersey—New Jersey Turnpike Auth., Trenton, Contr. 9, grading, drainage structures between Allentown and Raritan River, Mercer and Middlesex Counties, to Grandview Co., 6 Grandview Ave., Mt. Vernon, N. Y., $2,716,065. Bids 2/23, awarded 3/1. CD 3/2, under Bridges.

New Mexico—State Hy. Dpt., Santa Fe, stabil. surf. course and misc. 14.797 mi. S. R. Nos. 277 and 311 between Field and Clovis, FAP No. S-138 (2), Curry Co., to Jack Adams, 1116 S. 5 St., Tucumcari, $103,-795***levelling course, ballast, asph. processed base and misc. 9.466 mi. S. R. 137 between Carlsbad and El Paso Gap FAP No. S-147 (1), Eddy Co., asph. processed base, bit. top course surf. and misc. 5.871 mi. S. R. 235 between Rogers and Texas-New Mexico line, FAP No. S-89 (1), Roosevelt Co., to Armstrong & Armstrong, Box 873, Roswell, $151,251 and $73,-451 respectively***asph. processed base, bit. top course surf. and misc. 8.107 mi. S. R. 312 between McAlister and New Mexico-Texas line, FAP No. S-140 (1), Quay and Curry Counties, to D. D. Skousen, 201 Springer Bldg., Albuquerque, $104,099***grading, one concrete and steel bridge 204.62 ft. long, asph. processed base, bit. top course surf. and misc. in city of Las Vegas, town of Las Vegas and between Watrous and Las Vegas on U. S. 85 and alternate U. S. 85, FAP Nos. UI-78 (7), FI-78 (3) and U-188 (2), San Miguel Co., to Floyd Haake, 1201 Sierra Vista St., Santa Fe, $235,270***grading, one multiple concrete box culvert 35.71 ft. long, asph. processed base, bit. top course surf. and misc. 12.818 mi. U. S. 54 between Santa Rosa and Vaughn, FAP No. F-170 (2), Guadalupe Co., to G. I. Martin, 520 S. Tulane St., Albuquerque, $299,277. Grand total $967,143. Bids 2/28. CD 2/20.

North Dakota—State Hy. Dpt., Bismarck, grav. surf., etc., 26.801 mi. State Hys. 32 and 46 from Oriska to near Enderlin, FASP No. S-221 (3) and S-374 (3), Barnes, Ransom and Cass Counties, to LaVoy & Scheffler, Fargo, $65,813. CD 2/16.

▲ **Ohio**—State Hy. Dpt., T. J. Kauer, dir., Columbus, Zone 15, Type T-35 and structure, concrete slab bridge with concrete substructure, S. R. 169, Trumbull Co. and Type T-32 on B-11, S. R. 76, Washington Co., to The Ross Constr. Co., 313 Hartman Bldg., Columbus, $50,688, est. $51,500 and $120,963, est. $173,300***respectively Type T-35 and structure 3 span concrete slab bridge S. R. 3, Knox Co., to Menuez & Skemp, Millersburg, $53,577***Type T-35, S. R. 14, Summit Co., to The McCourt Constr. Co., 720 Home Ave., Akron, $102,112, est. $116,600***Type T-32 and structure, 3 span continuous steel beam bridge with concrete deck and substructure, S. R. 131, Brown Co., to The Kent Bros. Co., 22 E. Gay St., Columbus, $55,777***Type T-35 on B-20, U. S. R. 24, Lucas Co., to C. E. Johnson Co., P. O. Box 29, Maumee, $617,473, est. $791,800***Type T-34 on B-20 and structure, 3 span continuous concrete slab bridge with capped-pile piers and abutments, S. R. 73, Highland Co., to John R. Jurgenson, Box 254, Newtown, $126,929, est. $168,100***Type T-34 on B-20, grading, drainage structures and bit. premixed surf. course on waterbound macad. paving C. R. No. 36, Fulton Co., to C. E. Eddington & Son, 1220 S. Main St., Findlay, $62,251, est. $80,200***Type T-35, grading, drainage structures, wid'n. with waterbound macad. and b. conc. paving, U. S. Rd. 42, Delaware Co., to A. W. Burns Constr. Co., 424 Woodland Ave., Columbus, $156,573, est. $203,900. Grand total $1,356,343. Bids 2/7. CD 1/26.

Tex. Griffing Park (Port Arthur P. O.)—City and Jefferson Co., Griffing Park road work, sand shell 7 in. base, ¾ in. asph. top, to Stevens & Co., Port Arthur, $371,000. Smith & Norris, Harris Bldg., Port Arthur, engrs.

Tex., Houston—Glenmore Forest, c/o Homer Y. Jones, Sterling Bldg., asph. paving north of Neuthard Rd., own forces. Approx. $56,000. Thomas D. Heaney, 2113 State St., engr.

Tex., Houston—Harris Co., Courthouse, approx. 6½ mi. asph. paving Lockwood Dr., Wesleyan Rd., Buffalo Speedway, San Felipe Rd., own forces. $68,000. Hugo Zapp, co. engr. CD 8/28/47.

Tex., Pittsburg—Camp Co., Courthouse, farm-to-market road own forces. Approx. $55,000. CD 9/2.

Washington—State Hy. Dpt., Olympia, grading, draining, surf. 12.29 mi. Primary State Hy. 8 north of Plymouth, Benton Co., to Roy L. Bair & Co., 1220 Ide St., Spokane, $153,853; grading, draining, surf. 11.9 mi. Primary State Hy. 9 south of Kennewick, Benton Co., to C & E Constr. Co., Yakima, $163,877. Bids 2/28. CD 2/16.

▲ **Newfoundland**—Dpt. P. Wks., Court House, St. Johns, road const. on trans-provincial Hy. 31 mi. between Glenwood and Bishop Falls, to Concrete Products (Nfld.) Ltd., Mt. Pearl, St. John's Approx. $1,085,-000. CD 9/2.

EARTHWORK, WATERWAYS

BIDS ASKED

† **Connecticut**—B.A. 3/21—U. S. Eng., New England Div., Army Base, Boston, 10, Mass., Mianus River dredging, CIVENG 19-016-50-45, C. E. Adams, Jr., div. engr. CD 4/19/49.

† **Massachusetts**—B.A. 3/21—U. S. Eng., New England Div., Army Base, Boston, Zone 10, constr. stop log storage structures, Holyoke, CIVENG 19-016-50-31.

† **Ohio**—B.A. 3/21—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 2127, Huntington 18, W. Va., raising levee, levee protection works, Magnolia, Bolivar Reservoir Proj., Serial No. CIVENG-46-022-50-83.

† **North Carolina**—B.A. 3/22—U. S. Eng., 308 Customhouse, Wilmington, dredging Stumpy Point Bay, Serial No. CIVENG 31-075-50-28.

† **Virginia**—B.A. 3/22—U. S. Eng., foot of Front St., Norfolk, emergency removal of shoal at entrance to Jones Creek, Pagan River, Serial No. CIVENG-44-110-50-65.

B. C., **New Westminister**—B.A. 3/22—Dpt. P. Wks., Hunter Bldg., Ottawa, Ont., protection work at Tiblury Island, Fraser River. Approx. $60,000. Plans deposit $20. R. Blais, c/o owner, engr. CD 10/4.

† **Colorado**—B.A. 3/23—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, furnishing, del. f.o.b. cars shipping point or f.o.b. cars Wild's Spur (Loveland) and Bellevue, 100,000 bbl. portland cement in bulk or in paper sacks for constr., Olympus and Pole Hill Tunnels and Olympus siphon, Estes Park-Foothills power aqueduct and approx. 20,000 bbl. portland cement in bulk or in paper sacks for constr. Poudre Supply Canal, Colorado-Big Thompson Proj., Spec. 2936. L. N. McClellan, ch. engr.

† **Florida**—B.A. About 3/23—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 1169, Mobile, 7, Ala., constr. east bank access road from Jim Woodruff Dam, Apalachicola River, near Chattahoochee, Fla., site is in Gadsden Co., Fla. and Decatur Co., Ga., CIVENG-01-076-50-44. CD 11/24/43.

† **Massachusetts**—B.A. 3/23—U. S. Eng., Army Base, Boston Zone 10, dredging Fall River Harbor, Bristol Co., CIVENG-10-016-50-37. Extended date. CD 2/9.

† **Washington**—B.A. 3/23—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, 204 N. 4 St., Yakima, drilling water supply wells at Roza Pumping Plans No. 3, 9, 15, 17 and Mile 72.9, Spec. R1-74.

† **Arkansas**—B.A. About 3/24—U. S. Eng., 300 Broadway, Little Rock, powerhouse and switchyard, Bull Shoals Dam Power Development, CIVENG-03-500-50-41. Extended date. CD 2/14.

† **Arkansas**—B.A. 3/24—U. S. Eng., 300 Broadway, Little Rock, excavate pilot channel on left bank Arkansas River at Hensley bar, 1,600,000 cu. yd., Hensley, Jefferson Co. CIVENG-03-050-50-66.

† **Oregon**—B.A. 3/23—U. S. Eng., 19 E. Poplar St., Walla Walla, Wash., surf. levee along Walla Walla River, Station 183 plus 00 to 275 plus 00 (Section 2 and 3), Milton-Freewater Proj. in vicinity of Milton and Freewater, Umatilla Co., Serial No. CIVENG-45-164-50-100.

Tex., Pasadena—Bids Asked—George W. Batten Co., 1620 Mo St., Houston, earthwork, gas lines, Berkshire Village, southeast sect. of city, $60,000.

Tex., San Antonio—Bids Asked—E. J. Burke & Sons, 4220 S. Zarzamora St., earthwork, clearing and grubbing, in Coliseum Park area for Negroes project. $40,000. W. W. Vander Heck, c/o owner, engr.

LOW BIDDERS

Alabama—State Dpt. Conservation, 7 N. Bainbridge St., Montgomery, Feb. 24, dredging, bulkhead and other improvs. in vicinity of Seafood Div., Headquarters bldg., near Cedar Point, Mobile Co., from Hawkins Constr. Co., 925 Adams St., Montgomery, $34,874. CD 2/9.

† **Arizona**—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., rejected bids Feb. 21, approx. 80,000 bbl. portland cement for Wellton-Mohawk Div., Wellton, Gila Proj., Spec. 2917. L.B. $244,000. Will re-advertise. CD 3/1, under LB.

† **California**—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., Feb. 28, fifteen traveling water screens for Friant-Kern canal distr. sys., Central Valley Proj., Spec. 2986, from Link-Belt Co., 400 Paul Ave., San Francisco, $91,690.

† **California**—U. S. Eng., Wright Bldg., Sacramento, Feb. 28, administration bldg., warehouse, garage, water distr. sys., sewerage sys., electric distr. sys., roads, parking areas, sidewalks and flagpole, at Folsom Dam Proj., Sacramento Co. Spec. 04-137-50-51, from Wm. E. Frye Constr. Co., 200-J Alta Vista Ave., Grass Valley, $92,783. CD 2/15.

† **California**—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., Feb. 21, 205,670 lin. ft. rein.-con. pipe for 25 to 50 ft. heads from 12- to 72-in. inclusive for Ivanhoe Irrigation Dist., Lindmore Irrigation Dist., Unit 3, and Southern San Joaquin Municipal Utility Dist., Unit 3, Friant-Kern Canal Distribution System, Central Valley Proj., Spec. 2908, from Central Valley Concrete Pipe Co., Stockton, $768,077. CD 2/7.

† **Illinois and Missouri**—U. S. Eng., 808 U. S. Court House & Custom House, 1114 Market St., St. Louis 1, Mo., Mar. 1, constr. 26,750 lin. ft. earthen levees in Perry County Levee Dists. 1, 2 and 3, Perry Co., Mo., and Randolph Co., Ill., Proj. Items III-A, III-B and III-C, Inv. CIVENG-23-065-50-73, from Luhr Brothers, Inc., Columbia, $626,031. Est. $687,195.

† **Illinois**—U. S. Eng., 808 U. S. Court & Custom House, St. Louis 1, Mo., Mar. 1, constr. Chouteau, Nameoki and Venice Pumping Station, Chouteau, Nameoki and Venice Drainage and Levee Dist. Proj. Item 1, Madison Co., on east side of Chain of Rocks Diversion Canal opposite Station 272, plus 00 about 2 mi. east of Chain of Rocks Toll Bridge over Mississippi River Mile 191 above mouth of Ohio River, CIVENG-23-065-50-77, from J. S. Alberici Constr. Co., 1550 Irving Ave., St. Louis 20, Mo. $114,041. Est. $110,-224. CD 2/16.

† **Iowa**—U. S. Eng., 1217 U. S. Post Office & Custom House, St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 23, upper approach channel dredging, Lock and Dam 10, Mississippi River, Guttenberg, from Grant Contg. Co., 1124½ W. 4 St., Greenville, O., $72,240. CD 1/30.

† **Maine**—U. S. Eng., New England Div., Army Base, Boston, Zone 10, Mar. 1, dredging Cape Porpoise Harbor, Kennebunkport, CIVENG 9-016-50-42 from Heiling Dredging Corp., 166 North Wellwood Ave., Lindenhurst, N. Y., $66,750. CD 2/8.

† **Massachusetts**—U. S. Eng., New England Div., Army Base, Boston, Zone 10, Mar. 2, dredging Boston Harbor, Suffolk Co. CIVENG 19-016-50-36, from Great Lakes Dredge & Dock Co., 17 Battery Pl., New York, N. Y., $46,900. CD 1/12.

† **Missouri**—U. S. Eng., 1709 Jackson St., Omaha, Neb., Feb. 28, Agricultural Levee Unit L 550, Sects. 10 & 11 inclusive) along bank of Missouri River, from mouth of Nishnabotna River to Brownville Bridge, near Phelps City, Atchison Co., CIVENG-25-066-50-23, from Charles Hulme Co., Great Bend, Kan., $373,075, Est. $506,851. CD 2/3.

† **Nebraska**—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Superior, Feb. 28, earthwork, structures for Superior Canal, Station 1083 plus 00 to end Station 1628 plus 09.75 and drains, channel changes and terminal Wasteway, Missouri River Basin Proj., Bostwick Div., Spec. 2895, from Dobson Bros. Constr. Co., 809 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., Lincoln, $182,681. Est. $227,-124. CD 2/14.

New Jersey—State Hy. Dpt., Trenton, Mar. 2, channel dredging in Manasquan River, Brielle and Point Pleasant, Monmouth and Ocean Counties, from J. A. LaPorte, Arlington, Va., $70,120; channel dredging in vicinity New State Hy. Rte. 37 Bridge, Barnegat Bay, Dover Twp., Ocean Co., from Hill Dredging Corp., 5601 Atlantic Ave., Ventnor, $88,701. CD 2/10.

N. J., Ocean City—Dpt. Conservation & Economic Div., 1060 Broad St., Newark, jetty north end of Island, from Jesse A. Howland, 50 Church St., Sea Bright, $344,506. William H. Collison, Jr., 801 Asbury Ave., engr.

† **Oklahoma**—U. S. Eng., Box 61, Tulsa, Feb. 24, clearing reservoir site at Tenkiller Ferry Dam on Illinois River, from Pennington-Winter Co., Apco Tower, Oklahoma City, Zone 2, $698,360. Est. $750,000. CD 2/2.

▲† **Tennessee, Missouri, Arkansas**—U. S. Eng., P. O. Box 97, Memphis, 1, Tenn., Feb., 23, casting articulated concrete mattress units, Cates Landing, Tenn., 120 squares and 126,000 bbl. Portland cement; Caruthersville, Mo., 32,000 squares and 33,600 bbl. Portland cement; Richardson Landing, Tenn., 128,600 squares and 135,000 bbl. Portland cement or alternate, 103,000 bbl. Portland cement and 32,000 bbl. natural cement; Helena, Ark., 80,000 squares and 84,000 bbl. Portland cement. Serial No. CIVENG-40-041-50-107, from McAlister Constr. Co., 833 State St., Pine Bluff, Ark., $1,642,850. Est. $1,572,978. CD 2/16.

† **Texas**—U. S. Eng., 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, Feb. 28, dredging Houston Ship Channel between Morgans Point to vicinity of Red Fish Reef, Chambers Co., Inv. No. CIVENG-41-243-50-166, from Bauer-Smith Dredging Co., Port Arthur, $530,700. Est. $810,000.

† **Texas**—U. S. Eng., 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, Mar. 1, dredging tributary channel between Intracoastal Waterway to Harlingen, Serial No. 41-243-50-114, from Bauer-Smith Dredging Co., Port Lavaca, $666,168. CD 2/7.

† **Texas**—U. S. Eng., 606 Santa Fe Bldg., Galveston, Mar. 1, dredging Gulf Intracoastal Waterway from Port Isabel to Mud Flats, Cameron, Willacy and Kennedy Counties, Inv. No. CIVENG-41-243-50-144, from Bauer-Smith Dredging Co., Port Lavaca, $126,202. Est. $240,000. CD 2/20.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

† **Arkansas**—U. S. Eng., 300 Broadway, Little Rock, furnishing Lots 7 and 8, of Portland cement to Bull Shoals site, to Louisville Cement Co., 315 Guthrie St., Louisville, Ky., $771,980.

† **Idaho**—Bureau Reclamation, Dpt. Interior, Caldwell, constr. Conway Gulch drain, Schedule 2, to Henry L. Horn, Caldwell, $26,321; constr. Hartley Gulch drain, Schedule 1, to Joe Holcomb, Weiser, $45,319, both Boise Proj., Payette Div., Spec. R1-68 (Regional). Bids 2/14. CD 1/30.

Ia., **Des Moines**—State Conservation Comn., 914 Grand St., earth dam, Geode State Park, to Dusenberg Co., Clear Lake, $265,768. Bids 2/23. Stanley Eng. Co., Hershey Bldg., Muscatine, engr. CD 12/19.

† **Ohio**—U. S. Eng., Madison Ave. and 8 St. W., Huntington, Zone 18, W. Va., pump stations, Massillon, CIVENG-46-022-50-60, to Wright Constr. Co., Williamston, Mich., $503,479. Bids 1/27, awarded 2/13. CD 1/20.

† **Oregon**—U. S. Eng., 19 E. Poplar St., Walla Walla, Wash., construct channel and levee along Walla Walla River, Milton-Freewater project in vicinity of Milton, Umatilla Co., CIVENG-45-164-50-85, to J. S. Anderson Co., E. 1723 Mission St., Spokane, Wash., and Morrison & Fisher, Walla Walla, Wash., $243,297. Est. $290,536. Bids 3/1. Awarded 3/1.

Tex., Abilene—City, ditching for water diversion, force account. Approx. $60,000. Freese & Nichols, 407 Danciger Bldg., Fort Worth, engrs.

AIRPORTS

BIDS ASKED

Newfoundland, Torbay—CLEARING, etc.&B.A. 3/20—Ft. Collins, Dpt. Transport, Ottawa, Ont., clearing, stumping, grading, paveling and drainage at airport. Plans deposit $10.

S. D., Aberdeen—AIRPORT—B. A. 3/22—City, airport work, $116,005. Scott Eng. Co., Watertown, engr.

† **Mich., Selfridge Air Force Base**—GROUND CONTROL APPROACH UNIT—B. A. On Or About 3/23—U. S. Eng., 520 Merchandise Mart, Chicago 54, Ill., ground control approach sys. unit, Selfridge Air Force Base, Mt. Clemens, CIVENG 11-032-50-8.

† **Ill., Quincy**—LANDING SYSTEM—B.A. 3/23—Civil Aeronautics Admin., City Hall, Kansas City, Mo., instrument landing system at Municipal Airport.

Mass., New Bedford—AIRPORT IMPRVS.—B.A. 3/23—City, E. V. Lahey, chn., New Bedford Airport Comn., Admin. Bldg., Municipal Airport, airport imprvs., incl. high intensity lighting for hangars, runways, aprons, etc., New Bedford Municipal Airport, $50,000. Plans deposit $15. Fay Spofford & Thorndike, 11 Beacon St., Boston, engrs. CD 11/16.

Minn., Minneapolis—AIRPORT IMPRVS.—B. A. 3/23—Metropolitan Airports Comn., 2429 University Ave., St. Paul, constr. work Wold-Chamberlain Field, incl. Schedule V, 1,450 lin. ft. 12- to 24-in storm sewer lines, 11 manholes, catchbasins, 235,500 sq. yd. 8- to 11-in. concrete paving, 130,000 sq. yd. b. conc., 7,000 lin. ft. concrete curb, etc.; Schedule VI, 150 high intensity lights, 21 parking lot lights, 290 lin. ft. conduit tunnel, 30 transformers, 284,000 lin. ft. electric cable and wire, 9,000 lin. ft. ducts and conduits, 36 electric manholes, Approx. $500,000. Plans deposit $15. Toltz, King & Day, 1509 Pioneer Bldg., St. Paul, engrs. CD 3/24/48.

† **N. Y., Brooklyn**—FUELING SYSTEM—B. A. 3/23—Dpt. P. Wks. Office, Third Naval Dist., 90 Church St., New York, Zone 7, fueling system alterations for 2230th A.F.R.T.C. at Naval Air Station, Floyd Bennett Field.

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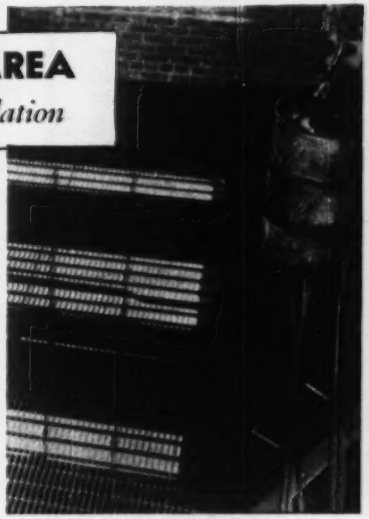

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† T. H., Oahu—SCHOOL—U. S. Eng., APO 950, c/o PM, San Francisco, Calif., school at Hickman Air Force Base. PAAFWF-50-2, to Peter Y. T. Chang, Honolulu, $323,750. Awarded 2/14.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS

BIDS ASKED

† N. Y., New York—POST OFFICE REPAIRS—B.A. 3/21—Pub. Bldgs. Service, 731 Customhouse, Zone 4, misc. repairs at U. S. Post Office, Grand Central Annex Station.

† Va., Fort Story—FAMILY QUARTERS—B.A. 3/21—U. S. Eng., First and Douglas Sts. N.W., Wash. 25, D. C., converting to family quarters, Serial No. Eng-29-080-50-9-(12). CD 2/9.

▲† Wis., Elkhorn—UTILITY, etc.—B.A. 3/21—U. S. Eng., 72 W. North Bank Dr., Chicago, Ill., 20 utility bldgs., heating plant, water and sewerage sys., streets, etc. $1,500,000. Holabird, Root & Burgee, 180 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., archts.

Ala., Tuscumbia—HIGH SCHOOL—B. A. 3/22—City, high school. Howard A. Griffith Jr., Sheffield, archt.

† Mass., Brockton—STORAGE—B. A. On Or About 3/22—U. S. Eng., New England Div., Boston, Zone 10, 52x146 ft., motor vehicle storage bldg., for Mass. National Guard, off Montauk Rd., CIVENG-19-093-50-2.

Mass., Easthampton—HOUSING—B.A. 3/22—Town of Easthampton Housing Auth., 9 Northampton St., Easthampton, 22 single 1½ story, bsmt., 31 unit Veterans housing. Approx. $300,000. Plans deposit $100. Warner MacNeish Service, 1597 Main St., Springfield, archts. and engrs. CD 1/27.

† Mass., Salem—STORAGE—B. A. On Or About 3/22—U. S. Eng., New England Div., Boston, Zone 10, 52x146 ft., motor vehicle storage bldg., for Mass. National Guard, North Pole St. and Howard St. exten. CIVENG-19-093-50-2.

Neb., Beatrice—DORMITORY—B.A. 3/22—State Bd. Control, Capitol Bldg., Lincoln, girls dormitory at Beatrice State Home. $280,000. Leo A. Daly Co., Insurance Bldg., Omaha, archt.

▲ N. Y., Utica—MEDICAL-SURGICAL—B.A. 3/22—Bureau Contracts & Accounts, Albany, medical-surgical bldg., at Utica State Hospital. $1,896,000. Plans deposit $30. CD 7/23/45.

N. C., Kinston—IDIOT COLONY—B.A. 3/22—At office S. H. Stroud, bus. mgr., Kinston two one story 152x300 ft. 160-bed idiot colony bldgs., for State Hospitals, Bd. Control, Caswell Training School, Kinston. Plans deposit $30 general, $15 each for heating, plumbing, electrical work and refrigeration. Eric C. Flannagan, McCoin Bldg., Henderson, archt. W. M. Wallace, 126 E. Parrish St., Durham, engr.

Vt., Castleton—DORMITORY—B.A. 3/22—State of Vermont, Purch. Agent, State House, Montpelier, 2 story dormitory, Teachers College. $385,000. Plans deposit $50. Haecock & Platt, 150 N. 15 St., Phila., Pa., archts. CD 9/16.

B. C., West Summerland—HIGH SCHOOL—B.A. 3/22—Secretary-Treasurer, School Dist. 77, West Summerland, frame Junior Senior High School. Approx. $400,000. Plans deposit $50. W. K. Noppe, 1186 Nicola Sts., Vancouver, archt.

Ala., Oxford—SCHOOL—B. A. 3/23—Calhoun Co., Oxford, elementary and high school addn. Wilmot C. Douglas, 226 N. 14 St., Birmingham, archt. CD 2/20.

† Colorado—TRANSFORMERS, etc.—B.A. 3/23—Bureau Reclamation Dpt. Interior, Bldg. 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colo., furnishing, del. f.o.b. cars shipping point or f.o.b. cars Brush, Colo., power transformer lightning arrester, lightning circuit breakers, lifting devise, selector switches, grounding blades, disconnecting switches, horn-gap switch, disconnecting fuses for Beaver Creek substation, Colorado-Big Thompson Proj., Spec. 2918. L. N. McClellen, ch. engr.

Conn., Falls Village—SCHOOL—B.A. 3/23—Town of Canaan Bd. Selectmen, Town Hall, Falls Village, Canaan, 2 story brick, steel school, Falls Village, $250,000. Ebbets, Frid & Prentice, 862 Asylum St., Hartford archts. CD 1/23.

▲ Ill., Normal—DORMITORY, etc.—B.A. 3/23—State of Illinois, Springfield, general contract, heating, plumbing and ventilating, electrical work and kitchen equip. for dormitory and kitchen at Illinois State Norman University. $1,000,000. CD 2/14/45.

▲ Mass., Fall River—HOUSING—B.A. 3/23—City of Fall River Housing Auth., 152 Sunset Hill, 2 story, 100 unit, garden apartments, Rodman St., S. A. Proj. Fall River 200-1, $1,100,000. Plans deposit $50. Edw. M. Corbett, 49 Purcase St., archt. S. T. Dubitsky, 41 N. Main St., engr.

▲ Mass., Wellesley—SCHOOL—B.A. 3/23—High School Constr. Comm., Wellesley, plans by Kilham, Hopkins & Greeley, 16 Arlington St., Boston, 2 story, bsmt., brick, steel, concrete Junior High School, Kingsbury St. $1,000,000. Plans deposit $50. CD 9/26/45.

▲ Miss., Meridian — HOSPITAL — B.A. 3/23 — State Bldg. Comn., New Capitol Bldg., Jackson, wards to house disturbed patients, State Mental Hospital, Approx. $1,000,000. Chris Risner, Vise Clinic Bldg., archt. CD 8/8.

N. C., Charlotte—HIGH SCHOOL—B. A. 3/23—Mecklenburg Co. Bd. Educ., W. B. McClintock, chn., Courthouse, West High School. Plans deposit $25. Extended date. C. W. Connelly, Box 4111, archt. and engr. CD 2/24.

O., Middletown—SCHOOL—B.A. 3/23—City Bd. Educ., R. H. Snyder, clk., 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., 2 story, brick school, concrete bsmnt. $450,000. McLaughlin & Keil, 500 Dominion Bldg., Lima, archts. CD 12/1.

Tex., Menard—HIGH SCHOOL—B. A. 3/23—Menard Independent School Dist., c/o C. R. Brace, supt. Schools, Menard, high school. $350,000. Plans deposit $15. Extended date. Wilson & Patterson, 202 Majestic Bldg., Fort Worth, archts. CD 1/3.

Wyo., Cheyenne—SCHOOL—B. A. 3/23—Bd. Educ. School Dist. 1, 22 St. and Central Ave., 26,000 sq. ft., brick, 12 classroom Henderson Gracie School, $250,000. Kellogg & Kellogg, 1909 Carey Ave., archts. and engrs. CD 2/8.

Conn., Westport—HOUSING—B.A. 3/24—Town of Westport Housing Auth., 6 Wilton Rd., 40 family units, Hale Farm, of Green Farms Rd., $350,000. Extended date. C. E. Cutler, 168 Kings Hy., archt.

Mass., Greenfield—HOSPITAL—B. A. 3/24—Franklin Co. Public Hospital, High St., hospital and nurses home. $896,000. James H. Ritchie & Assoc., 38 Newbury St., Boston, archts. CD 2/27.

N. C., Rutherfordton—HOSPITAL—B.A. 3/24—Rutherford Hospital, Dr. R. H. Crawford, vice pres. and treas. 70 beds hospital incl. walks, drives. Plans deposit $30 general; $20, plumbing, heating, ventilating, electrical work. W. W. Hok & Assocs., Inc., 303½ W. 4 St., Charlotte, archts. CD 5/26.

O., Zanesville — SCHOOL — B. A. 3/24—Bd. Educ., Zanesville, Wilson School addn. CD 11/11/48.

Okla., Blackwell—POWER PLANT IMPRVS.—B.A. 3/24—City, Blackwell, building alterations, power piping, power wiring, and switchboards for Blackwell power plant. $275,000. Black & Veatch, 4706 Broadway, Kansas City, Mo., engrs. CD 9/1.

Conn., Middleton—HOUSING—B.A. 3/25—City Middletown Housing Auth., Louis W. Johnson, executive dir., 50 family units, Long Lane Sect. $450,000. Sebastian J. Passanesi, 164 Court St., archt. CD 1/6.

Mont., Jordan—HOSPITAL—B.A. 3/28—Garfield Co., Courthouse, 1 story, bsmnt., rein.-con., steel, brick, tile, Garfield Co. Hospital, $260,000. Plans deposit $25. J. G. Link & Co., Electric Bldg., Billings, archts.

Tex., Plainview—HIGH SCHOOL—B.A. 3/28—Independent School Dist., c/o W. H. Avinger, supt. Schools, Plainview, high school, incl. gymnasium, auditorium. $850,000. Plans deposit $50. Wyatt C. Hedrick, 1005, 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., Fort Worth, archt. CD 12/2.

▲ Tex., Wichita Falls—HOSPITAL—B.A. 3/28—Wichita General Hospital, City and County, Wichita Falls, 4 story, bsmnt., city-county hospital. $1,300,000. Ray C. Arnhold & Jesse G. Dixon, Nacol Bldg., archts. Landauer & Guerrero, 4801 Lemon St., Dallas, engrs. CD 9/15.

▲ Calif., Richmond—SCHOOL—B.A. 3/30—Richmond Union High School Dist., 1108 Bissell St. 34 classroom rein.-con. Junior High School, $1,500,000. Plans deposit $50. Miller & Warnecke, Financial Center Bldg., Oakland, archts. CD 2/19/48.

▲† N. M., Los Alamos—HOSPITAL—B.A. 3/30—U.S. Atomic Energy Comn., Los Alamos, hospital, Inv. No. 291-50-46. $2,000,000-3,000,000. Plans deposit $50. CD 1/10.

▲ Wash., Kennewick—SCHOOL—Bids Asked—School Dist. 17, Kennewick, 1 story, 400x600 ft., rein.-con. school, $1,800,000. Plans deposit $25. Extended date. E. W. Morrison, 719 2 Ave. Bldg., Seattle, archt. CD 2/27.

LOW BIDDERS

Ala., Auburn — ARCHITECTURAL — Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Feb. 28, architectural bldg., from A. C. Samford, Inc., Albany, $435,997. CD 1/19.

Calif., Alameda—SCHOOL—Alameda Bd. Educ., Oak St. and Alameda Ave., Feb. 28, 20 classroom Woodstock School, from Pacific Coast Builders, 2530 18 St., San Francisco, $370,700. CD 2/3.

Calif., Berkeley—SCHOOL—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, Feb. 21, general contract 1 story, 1218 sq. ft. Unit 1 and 3 story rein.-con. 54,140 sq. ft. Units 2 and 3, from Empire Constr. Co., 344 Harriett St., Oakland, $522,000. CD 1/30.

▲ Calif., Sacramento — HOSPITAL — Sacramento Co., Courthouse, Mar. 1, 4 story, 400 bed, rein.-con., steel County Hospital addn., from Lawrence Constr. Co. & Edwin J. Mackay, 3020 V St., $1,157,813. CD 1/25.

Del., Lewes — SCHOOL — Lewes Special School Dist., Lewes, Feb. 24, general contract school, from J. A. Bader, Inc., 916 Market St., Wilmington, $367,150. CD 2/2.

▲ Fla., Tampa—COURTHOUSE—Hillsborough Co., Mar. 3, courthouse, from Mion Constr. Co., 377 Techwood Dr., N. W., Atlanta, Ga., $2,617,708. CD 1/18.

Ga., Sylvania—HOSPITAL—Screven Co. Hospital Auth., Sylvania hospital, from A. B. Newton, Vidalia, $257,600. CD 2/8.

Ill., Elgin—SCHOOL—North Junior High School, Dundee Ave., Feb. 20, 2 story, brick, steel, concrete North Junior High School, from Wm. R. Goss Co., 435 N. Michigan St., Chicago, Zone 11, $639,750. CD 1/23.

Ind., South Bend—SCHOOL—Bd. School Trustees, 228 St. Joseph Ave., 2 story, bsmnt., 153x200 ft. brick, stone, rein.-con., structural steel Perley School, from S-L-A-B Constr. Co., 428 N. Michigan St., $473,841. Est. $600,000. CD 12/14.

Mass., Bridgewater—SCHOOL—Town, School Dpt., Feb. 24, 2 story, bsmnt., brick Junior and Senior High School, from John Hamre & Son, 55 Buckingham St., Quincy, $769,000. CD 2/10.

Mass., Natick — HOUSING — Town of Natick Housing Auth., 12 Main St., Natick, Mar. 1, 52 unit veterans housing, Forest Ave., Curve and High Sts., Proj. 200-1, from Jefferson Constr. Co., 75 First St., Cambridge, $452,198. CD 2/10.

Minn., Rochester—POWER PLANT IMPRVS.—State Dpt. Admin., P. Y. Peterson, dir. Purchases, 19 State Capitol, St. Paul, Feb. 28, furnish, install electrical equipment, power plant, Proj. 958, State Hospital from Southwest Electric Co., 611 West 5 St., P. O. Box 588, Amarillo, Tex., $77,980. CD 2/1.

N. Y., Alfred—CLASSROOM, etc.—Bureau Contracts & Accouts, Albany, Mar. 1, classroom and laboratory, etc. at New York State College of Ceramics, Alfred University, from F. D. Rich Co., 101 Park Ave., New York, Zone 17, $697,743. CD 2/23.

▲ **N. Y., Beacon**—HOSPITAL, etc.—Bureau Contracts & Accounts, Albany, Mar. 1, hospital bldgs. addns, alterations, Matteawan State Hospital, from Gens-Jarboe, Inc., 101 Park Ave., New York, Zone 17, $1,176,745. CD 2/6.

N. Y., Syracuse—STABLE REPAIRS—Bureau Contracts & Accounts, Albany, Mar. 1, roof repairs to Stable Bldg. 18, at State Fair Grounds, from H. Goodman & Sons Inc., 200 Varick St., New York, Zone 14, $95,820.

† **Ohio**—STORAGE GARAGES—U. S. Property & Disbursing Officer for Ohio, Bldg. 101, Fort Hayes, Columbus, Zone 18, Feb. 17, storage garages for Ohio National Guard at Hillsboro, Mt. Vernon, Urbana, Paulding, Greenville, Youngstown and Wilfloughby, from George W. Timmons Const. Co., 1277 E. Broad St., Columbus, $128,948. CD 1/26.

S. C., Clemson—CHEMISTRY—Clemson Agricultural College, Clemson, Mar. 1, 3 story bsmnt., sub-bsmnt, and part 2 story, bsmnt., 115 x 243 ft. U-shaped brick, limestone, rein.-con., steel chemistry bldg., from Industrial Builders, Inc., Anderson, $514,730. CD 2/10.

† **Washington** — ADMINISTRATION, etc. — U. S. Eng., 4735 E. Marginal Way, Seattle, Zone 4, Mar. 2, administration bldg., dormitory, maintenance bldg. and houses for Chief Joseph Dam, Bridgeport, CIVENG 45-108-50-47, from Dalfy Constr. & Eng. Co., Inc., Dexter Horton Bldg., Seattle, Zone 4, $602,093.

▲ **Wash., Seattle** — POWERHOUSE — City, County-City Bldg., Zone 4, Mar. 1, excavation for Ross powerhouse and tunnels, from Peter Kiewit Sons Co., 300 Aloha St., $1,434,300. CD 2/23.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Ariz., Tempe—COLLEGE—State, Arizona State College, Tempe, college bldg., 2 story administrative wing, 3 story classroom, department section, 93,000 sq. ft., steel air conditioning to Daum-Donaldson Constr. Co., 321 S. 24 St., Phoenix, $926,944. Bids 2/15, awarded 2/17. CD 2/2.

Calif., Berkeley—SCHOOL—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, general contract 1 story, 1218 sq. ft. Unit 1, 3 story, rein.-con., 54,140 sq. ft. Units 2 and 3, to Empire Constr. Co., 344 Harriet St., Oakland, $522,000. Bids 2/21. CD 2/28, under LB.

▲ **Calif., Camarillo**—HOSPITAL UNITS—State Div. Architecture, P. Wks. Bldg., Sacramento, general contract 1 and 2 story rein.-con. interconnected hospital bldg. Units F-16, F-17 and F-18 F-19, at Camarillo State Hospital, to Williams & Burrows & Carl N. Swenson Inc., 10 California Dr., Burlingame, $1,017,-700. Bids 2/21. CD 3/1, under LB.

Calif., San Francisco—YOUTH GUIDANCE CENTER—Dpt. of Wks. Co. No. 6, general contract Youth Guidance Center, Phase No. 6, to Monson Bros., 475 6 St., $635,807. Bids 2/15. CD 2/21, under LB.

Fla., Quincy—HOSPITAL—Gadsden Co., hospital, to Hogan & Horrman, 134 Beach Dr. N. $783,682. Bids 2/14, awarded 2/21. CD 2/21, under LB.

Ill., Elgin—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ. Dist. 46, 1 and 2 story brick, steel, concrete North Junior High School, to Illinois Hydraulic Co., 20 N. Crystal St., $640,-375. Bids 2/20, awarded 2/27. CD 3/2, under LB.

Ill., Herscher—SCHOOL—Herscher School Unit, 2 story, steel, rein.-con., face brick school addns., to Robert Regan, 25 N. Ottawa St., Joliet, $260,000. S. W. Wilkins, Volkman Bldg., Kankakee, archt. Arnold J. Krueger, 4 E. Clinton St., Joliet, assoc. archt.

Ill., Morris—HIGH SCHOOL—Morris High School, 2 story bsmnt. high school, on Rte. 47 at Division St., to Roy C. Clark, 840 E. Chicago Ave., East Chicago, $850,000. Awarded 2/20. CD 12/1.

Ind., East Chicago—SCHOOL—East Chicago School Bd., 4819 Magoun St., 2 story, bsmnt., 200x400 ft. brick, Eugene Field School, to John A. Adinolfi, 3922 Main St., $789,815. Bids 1/10, awarded 2/20. CD 2/13, under LB.

Ia., Des Moine—PARKING—City, City Hall, general contract and electrical work ramp parking bldg., 7 and Mulberry Sts., to Fane F. Vawter & Co., 816 Farm Bureau Bldg., $358,790. Bids 2/16. CD 1/31.

Kan., Wichita—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., Admin. Bldg., 428 S. Broadway, Zone 2, general contract Wm. Mathewson Intermediate School, 13 and Volutsia Sts., to Martin K. Eby Constr. Co., 610 N. Main St., $648,-690. Bids 2/20. CD 1/25.

Md., Gaithersburg—SCHOOL—Montgomery Co. Bd. Educ., Rockville, 1 story, 260x288 ft., concrete brick cinder block, steel, Senior High School, to Byrne Organization, 2607 Connecticut Ave. N. W., Wash., D. C., $515,400. CD 2/23, under LB.

▲ **Mass., Chelsea**—HOUSING—City, Chelsea Housing Auth., Chelsea, 130 unit, 2 and 3 story, bsmnt. housing, State Aided Proj. 200-2, Revere Beach Parkway, to White Constr. Co., 18 Tremont St., Boston, $1,227,400. Bids 2/1, awarded 2/27. CD 2/10, under LB.

Mass., Cohasset—SCHOOL—Town, School Dpt., Junior and Senior High School, Pond St., to Volpe Constr. Co., 54 Eastern Ave., Malden, $585,978. Bids 2/15, awarded 2/24. CD 2/24, under LB.

▲ **Mass., New Bedford**—HOUSING—City of New Bedford Housing Auth., Presidential Heights, New Bedford, housing Proj. 200-2, Dartmouth St., Rockdale Ave. and Mathew St., to Platt Constr. Co., Inc., 99 First St., Cambridge, $1,210,834. Bids 2/24, awarded 3/3. CD 1/3, under LB.

Mich., Birmingham—SCHOOLS—Birmingham Bd. Educ., Chester St., Sect. A, 1 story, 36x44 ft., Sect. B, 1 story, 26x33 ft., Walnut Lake School addn., and 1 story, 45x332 ft. Lorry School, to J. C. Nielson Co., 1209 Morse St., Royal Oak, $254,000. Bids 2/21, awarded 2/27. CD 3/2, under LB.

Mont., Butte—CIVIC CENTER—City, City Hall, general contract civic center, to Cahill-Mooney Constr. Co., 220 E. Front Ave., $679,976; mechanical work, to Reardem's Plumbing, Heating & Electric Co., 129 E. Park St., $252,998. Bids 1/31. CD 2/16, under LB.

▲ **N. J., Westfield**—HIGH SCHOOL—Ed. Educ., Westfield, Senior High School, Darian Rd., to Walter Kidde Constructors, Inc., 140 Cedar St., New York, Zone 6, N. Y., $1,433,000. CD 2/24, under LB.

N. C., Raleigh—AGRONOMY and HEAD HOUSE—North Carolina State College, J. G. Vann, Asst. Controller, Raleigh, agronomy and head house, to Southeastern Constr. Co., 205 E. Bland St., Charlotte, $687,879. Bids 2/16. CD 2/27, under LB.

O., Painesville—HIGH SCHOOL—Painesville Bd. Educ., 167 W. Washington St., Harvey High School addn., to John Gill & Sons Co., Bulkley Bldg., Cleveland, $529,990. Bids 3/2. CD 1/27.

S. D., Watertown—SCHOOL—Bd. Educ., Watertown, general contract Roosevelt Grade School, to Gray Constr. Co., Watertown, $265,935. Bids 2/21. CD 1/13.

Alta., Coutts—CUSTOMS, etc.—Dpt. P. Wks., Hunter Bldg., Ottawa, Ont., customs and immigration bldg., to Bird Constr. Co., Ltd., Ave. and 14 S. S., Lethbridge. Approx. $444,762. CD 12/5, under LB.

B. C., Cranbrook—HIGH SCHOOL—Bd. Trustees School Dist. 2, Cranbrook, frame Junior-Senior High School, to Dawson & Hall Ltd., 775 Clark Dr., Vancouver, $599,252. Awarded 3/1. CD 5/4/47.

Ont., Strathroy—INSTITUTE—Strathroy District Collegiate Institute Bd., G. McDonald, secy., Strathroy, 47x128 ft., brick, steel collegiate institute addn., alterations, to Coles-Jeffrey Constr., Ltd., 175 Exmouth St., Sarnia. Approx. $725,000. Bids 2/8. CD 1/19.

Que., Huntingdon—SCHOOL—School Comn., Huntingdon, 3 story, 52x139 ft. and 30x65 ft. concrete, brick school, to G. Perrault, 198 St. Joseph St., Joliette, $2o1,000. J. M. Lafleur, 72 St. Lucile St., Valleyfield, archt.

Que., Longueuil — SCHOOL — School Comn., Longueuil, school, Sacre-Coeur-St. Charles, to F. Ross Constr. Co., Ltd., 736 Cote St. Catherine Rd., Montreal, $310,000. L. Keroack, Boucherville, archt. Lolonde & Valois, Canada Cement Bldg., Montreal, engrs.

Que., St. Hubert and Longueuil Annex—SCHOOL—Catholic School Comn., P. A. A. Dufresne, secy., Longueuil Sacre Coeur School near St. Hubert, and St. Charles School in Longueil Annex, to Frank Ross Constr. Co., Ltd., 736 Cote St. Catherine Rd., Montreal, Approx. $310,000 L. Keroack, Boucherville, archt. Lalonde & Valois, Canada Cement Bldg., Montreal, engrs.

Que., St. Laurent—SCHOOL—School Comn., L. Deguier, secr., 2 story, 60 x 115 ft., concrete brick school, Blvd. Decarie, to D'Amours & Brother Ltd., 2633 Bourbonniere Montreal, $301,000. A. Martineau, 200 Bay St., Ottawa, Ont., archt.

Que., Valois—SCHOOL—School Comn., Beaconsfield, 1 story, 176 x 240 ft., concrete, steel, brick 10 classroom school, auditorium, etc., to L. G. Tarlton Ltd., 912 McEachern Ave., Outremont, $330,000. CD 11/9.

COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS

BIDS ASKED

Pa., Phila.—HOSPITAL—B.A. 3/20—Phila. Psychiatric Hospital Assn., Ford Rd. and Monument Ave., hospital addn. $250,000. Extended date. Louis I. Kahn, 1728 Spruce St., archt. CD 3/1.

Wis., Ripon—DORMITORY—B.A. 3/21—Ripon College, Ripon, 3 story, 280,000 cu. ft. men's dormitory. Extended date. Holabird, Root & Burgee, 180 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill., archts. Auler, Irion, & Wertsch, Oshkosh, assoc. archts. CD 3/1.

Minn., Minneapolis—CHURCH—B.A. 3/22—First Unitarian Society, 1526 Harmon Pl., 2 story, brick church, 900 Mt. Curve Ave. $270,000. Long & Thorshov, 400 Metropolitan Life Bldg., archts. CD 6/2.

Pa., Phila.—SCIENTIFIC LABORATORIES—B.A. 3/22—Simon & Boulware, archts., 123 S. Broad St., alumni scientific laboratories for Drexel Institute of Technology, 32 and Chestnut St. $350,000. CD 12/27/48.

Fla., Winter Park—LIBRARY—B.A. 3/23—Rollins College, Winter Park, (selected list of bidders) library. Approx. $250,000. James Gamble Rogers II, Winter Park, and George H. Spohn, Winter Park, assoc. archts. CD 2/10, under LB.

Mass., Boston—HEADQUARTERS—B.A. 3/23—Salvation Army, 221 Columbus Ave., 3 story bsmnt., headquarters bldg., Berkeley St. at Columbus Ave. Plans deposit $25. Andrews, Jones, Biscoe & Godall, 50 Congress St., archts.

Mich., Highland Park—OFFICE—B.A. 3/23—Brotherhood of Maint. of Way, 61 Putnam Ave., 2 story, bsmnt., 99x115 ft., masonry, structural steel, concrete office bldg. $250,000. Albert Kahn Assoc. Architects & Engineers, Inc., 345 New Center Bldg., Detroit, archt.

Ill., Chicago — APARTMENT — Bids Asked — Chippewa Apartments, 5050 S. East End, Zone 15, (selected list of bidders), 14 story, concrete apartment, $700,-000. Friedman, Alschuler & Sincere, 223 W. Jackson St., Zone 6, archts.

▲ **Tex., Fort Worth**—OFFICE—Bids Asked—Continental Insurance Co., c/o Sterling Holloway, Commercial Standard Bldg., 12 to 20 story, bsmnt. office, 7 and Main Sts. Approx. $4,000,000. Preston M. Geren, 905 Neil P. Anderson Bldg., archt. CD 1/6.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—OFFICE—Bids Asked—San Jacinto Hotel, Main and Walker Sts., converting 10 story San Jacinto Hotel into an office and stores bldg. $2,000,-000. Kenneth Franzheim, 2306 Crawford St., archts.

Tex., Houston—OFFICE—Bids Asked—Transcontinental Building Corp., c/o Transcontinental Gas Pipe Line Corp., Oil and Gas Bldg., 3 story office, fronting, Travis and Milam Sts. $850,000. P. E. Zimmerman & Hollis U. Bible, 500 Stuart St., engrs. and archts. CD 1/19.

SOON LETS CONTRACT

Calif., Stockton—RECREATION CENTER— Y.M.C.A., Channel and San Joaquin Sts., soon lets contract partial 3 story, 128x136 ft., rein.-con. Y.M.C.A. recreation center. $325,000. E. G. Ernst, 561 E. Harding Way, and John Upton Clowdsley, Exchange Bldg., archts. CD 11/18.

Fla., Miami Beach — HOTEL — Morris Blossom, c/o August Swartz, archt, 511 N.E. 28 St., Miami, soon lets contract hotel.

Fla., Miami Beach—THEATER—Wometco Theaters, c/o Michael J. DeAngelis, archt., Butler Bldg., Rochester, N. Y., soon lets contract Carib theater. CD 2/20.

Ill., Chicago Heights—OFFICE—Illinois Bell Telephone Co., 212 W. Washington St., Chicago, soon lets contract 2 story, brick, steel, concrete dial office. Holabird, Root & Burgee, 180 N. Wabash St., Chicago, archts. CD 1/11.

La., New Orleans—SERVICE—Krauss Dpt. Store, 1201 Canal St., soon lets contract, 6 story, 128x200 ft. service bldg., and 6 story 33x128 ft. store addn. Favrot, Reed, Mathes & Bergman, Nola Bldg., archts. CD 2/10.

Mich., Detroit—SCHOOL—Peace Lutheran Church, 4890 Balfour Rd., soon lets contract 2 story, part bsmnt., 100x100 ft., masonry, concrete school. $250,000. Norman Sorenson, 406 Hammond Bldg., archt.

Neb., Omaha—SCHOOL—St. Margaret Marys Parish, 62 and Dodge Sts., soon lets contract school. $400,000. L. A. Daly Co., 629 Insurance Bldg., archt. CD 2/2.

Okla., Bartlesville — DORMITORIES, etc. — Central Christian College, Bartlesville, soon lets contract 2 dormitories and gymnasium for Central Christian College. $250,000. Hanton & Wilson, Elliott Bldg., Tulsa, archts. CD 2/10.

Pa., Essington—SCHOOL—B.A. 3/14—St. Margaret Mary Alacoque Roman Catholic Church, Wanamaker Ave. and Governor Printz Blvd., soon lets contract school and chapel. $250,000. Frank J. Ricker & Louis A. Axt, 6115 Hudson Ave., West New York, N. Y., archts.

Tex., Baytown—MERCANTILE—Sears, Roebuck & Co., 1409 S. Lamar St., Dallas, soon lets contract 164x261 ft. mercantile & 44x addn. to each. $325,000. George L. Dahl, 2101 N. St. Paul St., Dallas, archt. CD 2/20.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—**DWELLINGS**—Pederson Realty Co., (Sunnyside Gardens) 2046 Cortlndt St., soon lets contract, 50 dwellings in area Sunnyside Addn., $325,-000; 50 dwellings near Sims Bayou, $350,000; 60 dwellings off 9500 Blk. Chocolate Bayou $360,000; 75 addnl. (Negro) dwellings, in various locations, $475,000. J. R. Tabor & Assoc., Union Natl. Bank Bldg., archts. Robert Atkinson, 1st Natl. Bank Bldg., engr. CD 3/3.

Wis., Manitowoc—SCHOOL—St. Boniface Congregation, 1120 S. 10 St., soon lets contract 2 story, bsmnt., 47x119 ft. school, and 1 story, 86x118 ft. and 12x40 ft., gymnasium, brick, steel, stone, concrete fdns. and floors. F. W. Raeuber, 1023 S. 9 St., archt.

LOW BIDDERS

▲ **Calif., Los Angeles**—STORE—Sears, Roebuck & Co., 2650 E. Olympic Blvd., Feb. 28, 2 story, brick, concrete store, Victory Blvd. and Laurel Canyon Rd., from Haddock Engineers Ltd., 1616 S. Greenwood Ave., Montebello. Approx. $1,500,000. CD 2/13.

▲ **N. Y., New York**—OFFICE—Time, Inc., 9 Rockefeller Plaza, Zone 20, project abandoned office at 270 Park Ave. Est. $20,000,000. CD 3/13/47, under CA.

▲ **Pa., Johnstown**—HOSPITAL—Mercy Hospital, Johnstown, Feb. 20, 7 story brick, tile, steel hospital and boiler plant, from Berkibule Bros., 625 Swank Bldg., Pittsburgh. Approx. $1,000,000. CD 2/14.

Tenn., Nashville—THEATRE—Cre cent Amusement Co., c/o low bidder, theater, from Foster & Creighton Co., American Natl. Bank Bldg., $717,419. CD 2/14.

Que., Cap de la Madeleine—COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT —Model Plan Development Co., c/o Mayerovitch & Bernstein, archts., 1502 St. Catherine St., W., Montreal, 100 house community development from Aio & Zakuta Ltd., 6910 Wiseman Ave., Montreal, Approx. $630,000. CD 12/6.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Calif., Hayward—RESIDENCES—New Hayward Homes, 315 13 St., Oakland, 126 residences in Tract 966, to Tarman & Bechtel, 315 13 St., Oakland. Approx. $756,000.

Calif., Norwalk—DWELLINGS—Ponty Jr., Inc., 5484½ N. Hollywood Way, Burbank, 100 frame, stucco dwellings, Maidstone, Jersey and Fallon Ave. Owner builds. $553,950. Paul Duncan, 4823 Laurel Canyon Blvd., Los Angeles, archt.

▲ **Calif., San Francisco**—OFFICE—Home Insurance Co., 341 Montgomery St., 4 story (ultimately 9 story) office to Cahill Bros., Inc., 206 Sansome St. Approx. $1,000,000. CD 3/7.

▲ **Colo., Pueblo**—HOSPITAL—Sisters of Charity, Mother General Mary Zoe, Delhi Pk., Cincinnati, O., 6 or 7 story, 250 room hospital west of present St. Mary's Hospital, to Platt Rogers, Inc., 1530 W. 13 Ave., Denver. Approx. $5,000,000. Fisher & Fisher, Denver Natl. Bank Bldg., Denver, archts. and engrs. CD 8/11/48.

▲ **Conn., Hamden**—HOUSING—Veggo F. Larsen Co., 434 Temple St., New Haven, 130 frame houses. Owner builds. $1,170,000.

Fla., Jacksonville—DWELLINGS—H. S. Brownett Co., 578 Margurite St., Zone 4, 120 family masonry dwellings, Longwood Subdivision on Southside. Owner builds. $850,000. Awarded 2/24. Wm. H. Marshall Clark Bldg., Zone 2, archt.

Fla., Lakeland—HOMES—P.M.W. Corp., c/o George H. Percival, 249 S. Dr., Miami Springs, 82 homes. Owner builds, $550,000.

▲ **Ga., Atlanta**—APARTMENT—The Howell House, Inc., c/o Lyles, Bissett, Carlisle & Wolff, archts, 1302 Main St., Columbia, S. C., 16 story, 532 unit apartment, to Long Constr. Co., c/o archt. Approx. $5,000,000.

Ill., Chicago—CHURCH, etc.—St. Paul Evangelical Reformed Church, Orchard and Fullerton Sts., Zone 14, 3 and 4 story, bsmnt., steel face brick, stone church and parish house, to R. C. Wiedboldt Co., 2353 S. Blue Island St., Zone 8, $600,000. Ben Franklin Olson, 19 S. La Salle St., Zone 3, archt.

▲ **Ind., Indianapolis**—STORE—Equitable Life Assurance Co., 393-7 Ave., New York, N. Y., superstructure, 3 story, bsmnt., irregular shaped 54,370 sq. ft. masonry, rein.-con., structural steel department store, Monument Circle, to Frank Messer & Sons Inc., 4612 Paddock Rd., Cincinnati 29, O. $5,250,000. J. C. Penney Co., 330 W. 34 St., New York, N. Y., lessee. Bids 12/15. CD 12/13.

▲ **Kan., Leavenworth**—RESIDENCES—Country Club Development Co., Professional Bldg., 200 residences. Owner builds. $2,000,000.

Kan., Leavenworth—DWELLINGS—L. L. Rafter, 523 Walnut St., 60 dwellings. Owner builds. $550,000.

▲ **La., Abbeville**—HOUSING—Bailey-Porter Constr. Co., Lafayette. 150 houses. Owner builds. $1,000,000.

▲ **Mass., Boston**—STORE—Jordan Marsh Co., 450 Washington St., Unit 2, 7 story, bsmnt., brick dept. store, Summer St., to Thompson-Starrett Co., Inc., 201 Devonshire St. Approx. $2,500,000. Bids 1/19, awarded 2/27. CD 1/25.

Mich., East Lansing—THEATRE, etc.—Louben Bldg. Co., c/o Arnold & Fuger, archts., 510 Madison Bldg., Detroit, rein.-con., structural steel, masonry theatre and retail store development to Lerner Linden Constr. Co., 9940 Roselawn St., Detroit. Est. $500,000. Bids 2/21, awarded 2/28. CD 2/16.

Neb., Fremont—DWELLINGS—Maenner Built, Inc., City Natl. Bank Bldg., Omaha, 64 dwellings. Owner builds. $500,000.

▲ **Neb., Omaha**—DWELLINGS—Carl C. Wilson, Inc., City Natl. Bank Bldg., 127 dwellings in vicinity of 36 and Lake Sts. Owner builds. Approx. $1,000,000.

N. J., Tenafly—HOUSES—Lawrence Manor Homes, c/o Frederick W. Harsen, Summit St. and E. Railroad Ave., 35 one family houses, Knickerbocker Rd. Owner builds, $500,000.

▲ **N. Y., Albertson**—HOUSES—Hillside Terrace Homes, c/o William La Valle, archt., 164-09 Hillside Ave., Jamaica, 300 one family houses, Willis Ave. and Willets Rd. Owner builds. Approx. $3,000,000.

N. Y., Douglaston—CONVENT—St. Anastasia Church, Rev. George Helfenstein, pastor, 45-05 245 St., convent bldg., Northern Blvd. and 245 St., to Thomas J. Hughes Constr. Co., 22-02 40 Ave., Long Island City. Approx. $500,000. Beaty & Berlenbach, 32 Court St., Brooklyn, Zone 2, archts.

▲ **N. Y., Great Neck**—APARTMENT—Joseph Mascioli and Julius & Samuel Guterman, c/o Samuel Paul, archt., 163-18 Jamaica Ave., Jamaica, 652 family garden apartments, at Northern Blvd. and Cutter Mill Rd. Owner builds. Approx. $6,000,000.

▲ **N. Y., New Rochelle**—APARTMENT—Davenport Arms, Inc., c/o Leon & Lionel Levy, archts., 331 Madison Ave., New York, Zone 17, 3 story garden apartments Davenport Ave. and Hudson Rd. Owner builds. Approx. $1,770,000.

▲ **N. Y., Roslyn Harbor**—HOUSES—Stackler & Frank Mid-Century Houses, c/o Alwin Cassens Jr., 116-55 Queens Blvd., Forest Hills, 50 one family houses on 75 acre tract, Bryant Ave. Owner builds. Approx. $1,000,000.

▲ **N. Y., Schenectady**—HOMES—Syndicate, c/o contractor, Van Buren Park Homes, 172 family 2 story garden apartments on 12 acre site at Eastern Parkway and Daisy Lane, to M. Shapiro & Son Constr. Co., Inc., 254 W. 54 St., New York, Zone 19. Approx. $1,420,000. Kelly & Gruzen, 80 Fifth Ave., New York, Zone 3, archts.

N. Y., White Plains—HOSPITAL—White Plains Hospital, 41 E. Post Rd., hospital alterations, addn., to Irons & Reynolds, 420 Lexington Ave., New York, Zone 17, $875,000. Awarded 1/1. CD 10/21.

▲ **N. C., Charlotte** — APARTMENT — Newland Road Apartments, c/o contractor, 178 unit apartment, to C. D. Spangler Constr. Co., 1933 S. Boulevard. Approx. $1,000,000.

N. C., Greensboro—OFFICE—J. P. Stevens Co., c/o contractor, office, to C. M. Guest & Sons, Greensboro. Approx. $500,000. Bids 2/15. CD 1/24.

N. C., Raleigh—APARTMENT—Northside Apartments, c/o Thomas Wilson & E. N. Richards, 701 Georgetown Rd., 116 unit apartment, Nobel Rd., northeast of county home property. Owner builds. $700,000.

O., Cleveland—HOMES—J. Elmer Barnum, 58 E. Bridge St., Berea, 43 ranch type homes, Lindberg Blvd., separate contracts. $731,000.

O., Cleveland—HOMES—John and Steve Fillipek, 9707 Columbia Rd., Olmsted Falls, and Mrs. U. Frick, c/o Frick Realty, 15523 Detroit Ave., Lakewood, thirty-six 1½ story, brick homes, Sprague Rd., separate contracts. $540,000.

O., Maple Heights—HOMES—S. N. Cultrona, 2642 E. 130 St., Cleveland, fifty-five 1½ story, frame homes, Kennerdown, Corridan and Reddington Sts., separate contracts. $605,000.

O., North College Hill (br. Cincinnati)—RESIDENCES—Parr & Bufler, Marbev Ave., North College Hill Station, Cincinnati, Zone 26, sixty 1 story, bsmnt., brick residences, separate contracts. $600,000. CD 1/17.

Ore., Eugene—HOSPITAL—Sacred Heart Hospital, Eugene, general contract, 6 story hospital addn., to R. B. Hammond, 1241 N. Williams St., Portland, $769,915. Bids 2/15. CD 2/24, under LB.

▲ **Pa., Beverly Hills (Upper Darby P.O.)**—APARTMENT, etc.—Pheasant Farms, Inc., 856 Main St., Darby, apartment and shopping center, Garrett and Marshall Rds., to Turner Constr. Co., 1500 Walnut St., Phila., $13,000,000. Karl F. Otto, 1528 Buckingham Dr., Rosemont, archt.

Pa., Phila.—RESIDENCES—Grafton Homes, Inc., 1512 Walnut St., residential development, northeast sect., separate contracts, $800,000. Morris J. Rosenthal, 16 St. Broad St., archt.

▲ **Pa., Phila.**—APARTMENT—Kevy K. Kaiserman & Matthew H. McCloskey, Jr., 1620 W. Thompson St., apartment, 18 and Walnut Sts., separate contracts. $6,500,000. Samuel I. Oshiver & J. Raymond Knopf and J. Ethan Fieldstein, 1704 Walnut St., archts. CD 1/12.

Pa., Phila.—RESIDENCES—Utal & Hauser, 132 Garrett Rd., Upper Darby, residential development, Knorr St., separate contracts. $688,000.

Tex., Beaumont—DWELLINGS—H. V. Howell, Beaumont, 172 dwellings, own forces. Approx. $950,000. CD 2/24.

▲ **Tex., Bergstrom Field (P.O. Austin)**—HOUSING—Dpt. Air Force, The Pentagon, Wash. 25, D. C., construct, manage, and finance 480 unit rental housing, to Earl A. Thompson & Assoc., Milam Bldg., San Antonio, $4,320,000. CD 2/16, under LB.

▲ **Tex., Fort Sam Houston**—DWELLINGS—Commanding Officer, 4th Army, Fort Sam Houston, construct, manage and finance 200 single-family brick veneer type dwellings for officers, concrete slab fdn. and 300 rental single-family brick veneer dwellings for non-commissioned officers, concrete slab fdn., to Hub Hill & Assoc. Andrews Bldg., Dallas, $2,400,000 and $3,600,000 respectively. CD 11/21.

Tex., Houston — DWELLINGS — Ayrshire Corp., 6825 Academy St., 50 addnl. dwellings, own forces. Approx. $750,000. CD 2/23.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—DWELLINGS—Fairworth Co., 1932 North Blvd., 260 dwellings. Owner builds. Approx. $2,750,000. CD 2/15.

Tex., Houston—DWELLINGS—Homer Y. Jones & Assoc., Sterling Bldg., 68 dwellings in Glenmore Forest, to Jones Constr. Co., Sterling Bldg. Approx. $525,000. CD 2/6.

▲ **Tex., Houston**—DWELLINGS—Texas Eastern Transmission Corp., Commerce Bldg., 135 dwellings for workers and executives occupancy along route of line, to Atlantic Building Corp., 1200 Givens St. Approx. $1,150,000.

Tex., Pasadena—DWELLINGS—C. O. Beeler Lumber Co., Inc., 2300 Pease St., Houston, 75 dwellings. Owner builds. Approx. $500,000. CD 2/15.

Que., Cap de La Madeleine—ORPHANAGE—Reverend Sisters of Dominicaines du Rosaire, 1455 Blvd. du Carmie, Three Rivers, 3 story, 40x147 ft., 77x103 ft., 45x150 ft., concrete, brick orphanage, to J. P. Morin Regd., 428 Notre Dame St. Approx. $850,000. Gascon & Parent, 934 St. Catherine E., Montreal, archts.

Que., Montreal—APARTMENT—S. D. Miller & Sons, 6999 Cote des Neiges Rd., apartment, etc. Sherbrooke St. E., to R. Handfield, 3962 Maplewood Ave., $560,000. Elisoph & Berkowitz, 1434 St. Catherine St. W., archts.

▲ **Que., Montreal**—Y.M.C.A. BLDG.—Y.M.C.A., 1124 Dorchester St. W., 7 story, bsmnt., 120x185 ft., rein.-con., steel brick, stone Y.M.C.A. bldg., to Anglin-Norcross Quebec Ltd., 892 Sherbrooke St. W. Approx. $1,300,000. CD 2/7.

INDUSTRIAL BUILDINGS

BIDS ASKED

Ont., Sarnia—WAREHOUSE—B.A. 3/20—J. R. Millar, purch. agt. Polymer Corp., Ltd., No. 40 Highway, 1 story, mill-type 103x215 ft., structural timber, storage warehouse. Approx. $175,000. CD 3/6/47.

Ont., Toronto—WAREHOUSE, etc.—B.A. 3/23—Chapman & Oxley, archts., 57 Bloor St. W., 2 story, 205x266 ft., brick, steel, rein.-con., limestone warehouse and office, Fleet and Jarvis Sts., for Northern Electric Co., Ltd., 131 Simcoe St. Approx. $750,000. CD 11/17.

Ont., Sault Ste. Marie—PLANT—B.A. 3/27—Mathers & Haldenby, archts., 15 St. Marys St., Toronto, newspaper plant, for Sault Star Ltd., 374 Queen St. Approx. $100,000.

Conn., Norwalk—Bids Asked—FACTORY—Perkin Elmer Corp., Hope St., Stamford, structural steel for 1 story, 40,000 sq. ft. brick, steel factory. $200,000. Fletcher Thompson, Inc., 211 State St., Bridgeport, archt. CD 12/7.

Ill., Chicago—PLANT EXPANSION—Bids Asked—Gildden Co., 2670 Elston Ave., Zone 18, 25,000 sq. ft. food processing plant expansion. $150,000. Everett F. Quinn, 134 N. LaSalle, Zone 2, archt.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

La., Gretna—PLANT—Southern Cotton Oil Co., Gretna, 4 story, 120x222 ft., masonry, steel shortening plant, to Perrillat-Rickey Constr. Co., 1530 S. Rendon St., New Orleans, $695,226. Bids 2/1, awarded 2/28. CD 2/8, under LB.

Mich., Detroit—WAREHOUSE—Davidson Bros., Inc., c/o Chas. N. Agrie, Inc., archt., 1140 Book Bldg., 1 story, 325x353 ft. masonry and structural steel warehouse addn., to J. A. Utley Co., 723 E. New Hampshire St., Royal Oak, $500,000. Bids 2/20, awarded 2/23. CD 2/16.

▲ **Mich., Plymouth**—PLANT—General Motors Corp., 5140 Riopelle Ave., superstructure, 1 and 2 story, 432x463 ft., structural steel, masonry, Detroit transmission division plant addn., to Darin & Armstrong, Inc., 2041 Fenkell Ave., Detroit. Est. $2,000,000. Bids 2/23 awarded 3/1. CD 2/16.

▲ **Minn., Virginia**—PLANT—Oliver Iron Mining Co., c/o United State Steel Corp., 71 Broadway, New York, N. Y., 5 story, sintering machine and raw material, nodulizing kiln and loading bins, pug mills, on Mesabi Range, near here, to Arthur G. McKee & Co., 2300 Chester St., Cleveland O.; steel to American Bridge Co., Frick Bldg., Pittsburgh, Pa. Total est. $6,000,000.

O., Warren—WAREHOUSE—Mullins Mfg. Corp., George E. Whitlock, pres., Warren, 264x560 ft. warehouse adjoining south wall of main plant, to Richard Hawks, Warren. Approx. $700,000.

▲ **Tex., Brownsville**—COTTON COMPRESS, etc.—Anderson Clayton & Co., Cotton Exchange Bldg., Houston, cotton compress and warehouse, 8 acres under one roof, rein.-con., fdn., drainage sys., fire wall and concrete floor slab, to Brown & Root, Inc., Box 3, Houston. Approx. $825,000; fabricating, erecting steel bldg., to Capitol Steel & Iron Co., 1726 S. Agnew St., Oklahoma City, Okla. Approx. $875,000. R. L. Cook, c/o owner, engr.

▲ **W. Va., Rivesville** — PLANT — Monongahela West Penn Power Fairmont, design and construction brick, concrete, steel frame power plant addn., to Sanderson & Porter, 52 Williams St., New York, N. Y., $12,500,000.

Alaska, Juneau—SAWMILL—Juneau Lumber Co., Juneau, rebuilding sawmill of Juneau Spruce Corp., day labor. Approx. $600,000. CD 9/15.

▲ **Ont., London**—PLANT—Kelvinator of Canada, Ltd., Dundas St. E., steel, brick plant addns., concrete floors, to Hyatt Bros. Constr. Co., 288 Egerton St. Approx. $2,000,000. CD 2/6, under LB.

Ont., Windsor—PLANT—Chrysler Corp. of Canada Ltd., 300 Tecumseh Blvd. E., 2 story, 80x360 ft. north exten. and 240x360 ft., brick steel south exten. Plant 3, to Pigott Constr. Co., Ltd., Pigott Bldg., Hamilton, Approx. $400,000-$800,000. Bids 2/20. CD 2/25.

UNCLASSIFIED

BIDS ASKED

Ont., Toronto—STRUCTURAL STEEL—B.A. 3/20—Toronto Transportation Comm., 35 Yonge St., 1,200 tons unfabricated structural steel for subway. CD 1/9/46.

Kansas—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—B. A. 3/21—Western Co-operative Assn., Wakeeney, 427.37 mi. rural distr. lines, 50.75 mi. conversion lines, in Rooks, Sheridan, Graham, Gove, Trego, and Ellis Counties. $475,000. Frank Horton & Co., Lamar, Mo., engrs. CD 10/7.

Nebraska—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—B.A. 3/21—Consumers Public Power Dist., 1452 25 Ave., Columbus, furnish material, equip., labor, supervision, transportation, and misc. expense to construct and reconstruct rural distr. lines from Loup River Public Power Dist. sub-station south and east of Norfolk, west to Oakdale via Battle Creek, Meadow Grove and Tilden. Plans deposit $15.

N. Y., Brooklyn—STEAM LINE—B.A. 3/21—Pub. Wks. Office, Third Naval Dist., 50 Church St., New York, Zone 7, replacing overhead steam line at Naval Clothing Depot, NOY 20201, Spec. No. 23724.

Kansas—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—B. A. 3/22—C. M. S. Electric Co-operative, Meade, Part I, 292.65 mi. rural distr. lines, 52.5 mi. conversion lines in Gray, Seward, Meade and Clark Counties; Part II, 223.1 mi. rural distr. lines, 30.5 mi. con-

version in Clark, Iowa and Comanche Counties, $575,000, Frank Horton & Co., Lamar, Mo., engrs. CD 6/6.

Pa., Norristown—STEAM DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM—B.A. 3/22—General State Auth., 18 and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, steam distr. sys. alterations at Norristown State Hospital. $250,000. Plans deposit $10. Stewart A. Jellet Co., 1200 Locust St., Phila., engr.

Tenn., Knoxville—CATTLE BARN—B. A. 3/22—City, City Hall, cattle barn at John Tarleton Institute. Plans deposit $25. Richard S. Bagwell, Goode Bldg., archt.

† **Va., Little Creek**—PARKING LOT RESURFACING—B. A. 3/22—Pub. Wks. Office, Fifth Naval Dist., U. S. Naval Base, Norfolk, Zone 21, resurf. parking lot at the Naval Amphibious Base NOY 20316, Spec. No. 23817. Plans deposit $10.

† **Arkansas**—TRANSMISSION LINE—B.A. 3/23—Southwestern Power Admin., P. O. Drawer 1619, Tulsa 1, Okla., 34 mi. 154 kv. transmission line from Pocahontas to Doniphan. $110,000.

Oregon—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—B.A. 3/23—Central Electric Co-operative, Inc., Redmond, 32 mi. rural distr. lines, in vicinity of Sisters and Prineville, Deschutes and Crook Counties. Plans deposit $10. Ribert Welty, The Dalles, engr.

N. Y., Jones Beach—HYDRAULIC FILL—B.A. 3/24—Long Island State Park Comm., Babylon place approx. 113,000 cu. yd. hydraulic fill for construction of Overlook Parking Field 1 at Jones Beach State Park. CD 6/19/44.

Arkansas—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—B.A. After 3/25—C. & L. Rural Electric Co-operative Corp., Lynn Thomasson, mgr., Star City, 110 mi. single-phase rural distr. lines to serve 496 members; 14 mi. 33kv transmission line, one 600 kva sub-station one 1500 kva sub-station to be relocated and approx. 100 mi. line to be converted from single-phase to two-phase and three-phase, in Cleveland, Lincoln, Jefferson, Grant, Bradley, Drey and Desha Counties, $525,000. Chanaberry Eng. Co., Realty Bldg., Louisville, 2, Ky., engrs. CD 2/27.

Minnesota—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—B.A. 3/27—Rural Co-operative Power Assn., Elk River, about 127 mi. 69 kv transmission line in Hennepin, Wright, Meeker, Kandiyohi, Anoka, Pine, Chicago, and Isanti Counties, Minnesota 70, Hennepin. Approx. $130,000. Plans deposit $25. Extended date. CD 3/2.

La., Crowley—RICE EXPERIMENTAL STATION—B.A. 3/28—Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, rice experimental station. Plans deposit $30. Extended date. Ricciuti, Stoffle & Assocs., Queen and Crescent Bldg., New Orleans, archts. CD 3/2.

O., Mansfield—BATHING BEACH, etc.—Bids Asked—Muskingum Conservancy Dist., L. S. Gena, ch. engr., Mansfield, sand bathing beach and bathhouse at Pleasant Hill Reservoir, 15 mi. southwest of here.

Texas—OIL PIPE LINE—Bids Asked—Sun Pipe Line Co., M. Esperson Bldg., Houston, 11 mi. 4- to 10-in. crude oil pipe line between Seabreeze and Sun Station, near Galveston. $610,000. CD 1/9.

LOW BIDDERS

Calif., Los Angeles—PLAYGROUNDS—City Playground Comm., City Hall, Feb. 23, Item 1, Denker Playground Bldg. and Item 3 Wabash Playground Bldg., from Wagner & Fremer, 5542 Cahuenga Blvd., $72,907 and $82,850 respectively; Item 2 Toberman Playground Bldg., from S. J. Cook & Son, 4508 W. Jefferson Blvd., $76,598; Items 1, 2, 3 combined, from Parr Constr. Co., 5677 Selmaraine Dr., Culver City, $233,500. CD 2/14.

Missouri—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—Citizens Electric Corp., Theo. A. Carron, pres., St. Genevieve, cancelled bids to have been opened Feb. 28, labor only, 186.07 mi. 7.2 kv. single phase, rural distr. lines, St. Genevieve Co., Proj. Mo. 580 St. Genevieve. CD 2/13.

▲† **Oregon**—GENERATORS—U. S. Eng., 19 E. Poplar St., Walla Walla, Wash., Mar. 2, four 73,684 kva. alternating-current generators for McNary Dam powerhouse, CIVENG-45-164-50-80, from General Electric Co., River Rd., Schenectady, N. Y., $6,556,290.

Tex., Houston—WHARF—Harris County Navigation Dist., c/o Port Comm., Wharf 3, Mar. 2, 125x600 ft. span type, steel, rein.-con. wharf, from Farnsworth & Chambers Co., Inc., Box 74, $821,805. Est. $1,000,000. CD 2/1.

CONTRACTS AWARDED

Kansas—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—Caney Valley Electric Co-operative Assoc. Inc., Cedar Vale, 397.19 mi. rural distr. lines, Chautauqua Co., to J. R. Foree, 302 National Bank Bldg., Topeka, labor $168,038, material $347,000, total $565,038. William H. Burgwin, 2657 S. Broadway, Denver, Colo., engr. CD 4/12/47.

Kentucky—RURAL DISTRIBUTION LINES—Warren Rural Electric Co-operative, Bowling Green, Sect. 210 mi. rural distr. lines, and Sect. 2, 129.2 mi. rural distr. lines, Warren Co., to Smith Constr. Co., 1060-44 Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn., $213,970 and $127,962 respectively. Sect. 3, 2.4 mi. rural distr. lines, Warren Co., to Trans-Electric Co., 106 E. Broadway, Louisville, $225,158. Grand total $567,090. CD 7/1.

Tex., Snyder—OIL LINE—Gulf Oil Corp., Gulf Bldg., Houston, 33 mi. 10 and 8 in. crude oil lines in Roscoe area, own forces. Approx. $508,000. CD 2/27.

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Bids: May 10, 1950 (620)

Tenders
Yonge Street Subway

TORONTO, ONTARIO
CONTRACTS S-3, S-4 AND S-5

Sealed tenders, endorsed "Tenders for Yonge Street Subway" will be received by the Toronto Transportation Commission at its office, 35 Yonge Street, Toronto, until 12:00 o'clock Noon, Eastern Standard Time, on Wednesday, May 10, 1950.

Individual tenders are invited for Contracts S-3, S-4 and S-5, or, if tenderers so desire, a combined tender may be submitted for all three contracts.

The work on Contract S-3 consists of building approximately 3814 lineal feet of subway of various sections, together with miscellaneous work appurtenant and collateral thereto, as specified and shown in the Contract Documents. The subway is to be constructed generally by what is known as "Cut and Cover Construction", with a short section of "Open Cut Construction" north of Ellis Avenue. The work is located on private and publicly owned rights of way immediately east of and parallel to Yonge Street, and extends from Alexander Street to Severn Street.

Contract S-4 consists of building approximately 850 feet of subway of various sections between Price Street and Shaftesbury Avenue and approximately 4525 lineal feet of "Open Cut Construction" together with miscellaneous work appurtenant and collateral thereto, as specified and shown in the Contract Documents. The work is to be constructed on public and privately owned rights of way a short distance east of Yonge Street and extends from Severn Street to Pleasant Boulevard.

Contract S-5 consists of building approximately 2100 lineal feet of subway of various sections, together with miscellaneous work appurtenant and collateral thereto, all as specified and shown in the Contract Documents. The work begins at a point east of Yonge Street at Pleasant Boulevard and continues northwesterly to cross Yonge Street at Lawton Boulevard; thence to the terminus of this contract at a point west of Yonge Street opposite the Mount Pleasant Cemetery, a spur in private and publicly owned lands and under private and publicly owned buildings.

Plans, Contract Documents, Tender Forms, and Instructions to Tenderer will be available to tenderers at the office of the Toronto Transportation Commission, 35 Yonge Street, Toronto, on and after Wednesday, March 8, 1950. Copy of the Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) with the Commission for each set of documents. The amount of the deposit will be refunded on return of the plans and documents in good condition within ten (10) calendar days after the opening of tenders.

Tenders for individual contracts must be accompanied by cash or a certified cheque on a chartered bank doing business in the City of Toronto in the amount of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars ($75,000.00) for each contract. Cheques are to be made payable to the order of the Toronto Transportation Commission. Combined tenders for all three contracts shall be accompanied by cash or a certified cheque in the amount of Two Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand Dollars ($225,000.00).

The Toronto Transportation Commission reserves the right to reject any or all tenders and to disregard any informalities in the tenders or tendering.

No tender may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of tenders for at least forty-five (45) calendar days.

Wm. C. McBrien, Chairman,
TORONTO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Bids: March 30, 1950 (635)

Railroad Bridge

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
TRENTON

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received by the State Highway Commissioner for:

ALPHA UNDERPASS

Construction of Railroad Bridge over Alpha By-Pass in the Borough of Alpha, Warren County, Federal Aid Secondary Project No. S-S6(2).

Estimated:

6,000 cu. yds. Roadway Excavation
1,620 cu. yds. Foundation Excavation
1,620 cu. yds. Concrete
311,500 lbs. Structural Steel
55,907 lbs. Reinforcing Steel
Lump Sum—Erect, Maintain & Remove Detour Trestles and Materials

Bids for the above will be received at the office of the State Highway Department, Room 102, State House Annex, Trenton, N. J., on Thursday, March 30, 1950, at eleven o'clock (11:00 A.M.—EASTERN STANDARD TIME), and will be opened and read immediately thereafter.

The receipt and opening of bids is subject to the proper qualification of the bidder in accordance with the provisions of the prequalification law and the regulations adopted by the State Highway Commissioner. Bidders must also submit a revised financial statement and statement of plant and equipment with their bid.

NOTE: The proposed project is a "Federal Aid Secondary Project" authorized by the provisions of Title 27 of the Revised Statutes of New Jersey and Supplements, and by Sections 2, 3 and 4, P. L. 521, 78th Congress, and is to be performed in accordance with the special provisions and requirements of the Bureau of Public Roads, Department of Commerce, as outlined in the specifications, which provisions require that labor be employed from lists furnished by the State Employment Service, Municipal Building, South Main Street, Phillipsburg, N. J. The attention of bidders is directed to the special provisions covering subletting or assigning the contract. The minimum wage paid to common labor employed on this contract shall be 75¢ per hour.

Drawings, specifications and form of bid, contract and bond for the proposed work are on file in the office of the State Highway Department, Trenton, N. J. and may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours. Plans will be furnished on a deposit of Ten Dollars ($10.00) for each set of plans upon application to A. Lee Grover, Chief Clerk, State Highway Department, Room 102, State House Annex, Trenton, N. J. Bids must be made upon the standard proposal forms in the manner designated in the standard State Highway specifications and must be enclosed in sealed special addressed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder and work bid upon on the outside, and must be accompanied by a certified check drawn to the order of the Treasurer of the State of New Jersey for not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid, provided that the said certified check shall not be less than $500.00 nor more than $20,000.00 and must be delivered at the above place on or before the hour named. Copies of the standard proposal forms and special addressed envelopes will be considered informal and will not be opened. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Signed: Spencer Miller, Jr.
State Highway Commissioner

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Bids: April 3, 1950 (636)

Trench Work

Trench Work for 17,160 Feet of 24-inch and 16-inch C. I. Pipe.

Scranton-Spring Brook Water Service Co. 30 North Franklin St., Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Bids will be received up to 2:30 P.M., Monday, April 3, 1950 for the excavation and backfilling of trench for approximately 14,500 lin. ft. of 24-inch and 2,660 lin. ft. of 16-inch cast iron pipe to be located mostly along State Highway Routes 40045 and 315 in Plains Township and Wilkes-Barre City, Pa. About 9,100 lin. ft. of the trench will be partly or wholly in rock, involving about 4,000 cu. yds. of rock excavation. The Water Co. will lay the pipe. Plans and Specifications may be obtained at the office of the Chief Engineer, at the above address and may be seen at the office of Thos. H. Wiggin, Consulting Engineer, 90 Broad St., New York 4, N. Y. A deposit of $25. will be required for Plans and Specifications. This will be refunded after return of same.

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New Jersey Turnpike Authority

Sealed proposals will be received by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority for:

CONTRACTS NOS. 16, 16A and 16B

The work to be done under these Contracts involves the construction of a south abutment, twenty south approach piers, thirteen north approach piers, a north abutment and two construcion road embankmens, one on each side of the river, and other incidental work, all in connection with the construction of the New Jersey Turnpike across the Hackensack River, near Laurel Hill, Hudson County, New Jersey.

Principal items of work for Contracts Nos. 16A and 16B include:

	Contract No. 16A	Contract No. 16B
Open foundation excavation—rock	.....	1,013 cu. yds.
Open foundation excavation—other than rock	7,900 cu. yds.	3,000 cu. yds.
Concrete	10,000 cu. yds.	5,830 cu. yds.
Reinforcement steel	775,000 lbs.	465,000 lbs.
Steel piles	98,000 lin. ft.	7,200 lin. ft.
Borrow excavation	54,000 cu. yds.	12,000 cu. yds

Principal items of work for Contract No. 16 equal the sum of the quantities listed for Contracts Nos. 16A and 16B.

Proposals will be received at the office of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, 65 Prospect Street, Trenton 8, New Jersey until 10:30 o'clock on the morning of March 28, 1950, and thereafter in the Veterans Room of the War Memorial Building, Memorial Drive at Willow Street, Trenton, New Jersey, until 11:00 A.M. on the same date, at which latter time and place said proposals will be publicly opened and read.

The receipt and opening of proposals is subject to proper prequalification of the bidder in accordance with the regulations adopted by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Bidders must also submit with their proposal a revised financial statement of plan and equipment.

Contract documents may be seen, and may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours, after March 8, 1950, at the office of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, 65 Prospect Street, Trenton, New Jersey and at the office of the Consulting Engineers, Howard, Needles, Tammen and Bergendoff, 55 Liberty Street, New York, New York.

Contract documents will be furnished for $5.00 for each set, upon application to the Authority. The payment will not be refunded and contract documents are not required to be returned. Plans showing grading cross sections may be examined at the office of the Authority or at the office of the Engineers.

Proposals must be made upon the standard proposal forms in the manner designated in the Standard Specifications for Construction of the New Jersey Turnpike, and must be enclosed in sealed special addressed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder and the number of the contract on the outside, and must be accompanied by a *certified check* drawn to the order of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority *and a proposal bond, each for not less than five (5) per cent of the amount of the proposal*, but not less than $500.00 nor more than $200,000.00 and must be delivered at the place designated above on or before the hour named. Where proposals are submitted for more than one contract, *each proposal* must be accompanied by a certified check and a proposal bond in the required amount. Bidders submitting proposals on any combination for Contracts 16, 16A or 16B are required to attach only one statement of plan and equipment. Copies of the proposal form to be used for submitting proposals, of the form for the proposal bond, of the form to be used for the financial statement and for the plan and equipment statement to be submitted with the proposal and of the special addressed envelope are furnished in detached form with the contract documents.

The Contracts will be awarded or the proposals rejected within thirty (30) days from the date of opening proposals. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals.

THE NEW JERSEY TURNPIKE AUTHORITY
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U. S. Government

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. 2935) will be received by Bureau of Reclamation, Bismarck, North Dakota, April 6, 1950, and then publicly opened for furnishing labor and materials and performing all work for the construction of Voltaire-Rugby-Devils Lake - Carrington - Jamestown 115 - kilovolt transmission lines, Transmission Division, North Dakota, Missouri River Basin Project. The work is situated between Voltaire, Devils Lake, and Jamestown, North Dakota. The work consists of approximately 219 miles of 3-phase, wood-pole, H-frame-type transmission lines with overhead ground wires. Time allowed for completion will be 200 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Bismarck, North Dakota; or Building 1-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

MICHAEL W. STRAUS, Commissioner.
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Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, 1217 U. S. Post Office and Custom House, St. Paul 1, Minnesota.—Sealed bids, in duplicate, for furnishing all labor and materials and performing all work required for Construction of Upper Guide Wall Extension at Lock and Dam No. 6, Mississippi River near Trempealeu, Wisconsin, will be received in this office until 11:00 A.M., C.S.T., 30 March 1950 and then publicly opened. Further information upon application. (631)

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U. S. Government
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Department of Commerce, Bureau of Public Roads, February 23, 1950. SEALED BIDS, will be received at the office of the Division Engineer, Bureau of Public Roads, 1440 Columbia Pike, Arlington, Virginia, until 10:00 a.m., E.S.T., March 31, 1950, for Project 2A5B5, Shenandoah National Park, Warren County, Virginia. Length—12.346 miles. The approximate quantities of the more important items are 25,500 tons Type H-1 Asphalt Pavement, Liquefier Type, and 5,100 cu. yd. Furnishing and Placing Loamy Topsoil. Minimum wage rates have been fixed as required by law. For plans and specifications, a deposit of $10.00 cash or Certified check made payable to the Treasurer of the United States, will be required to insure their return within 15 days after the opening of bids. Plans, Specifications and Proposal forms may be obtained at the address given above or Bureau of Public Roads, 410 State and City Office Building, Roanoke, Virginia. H. J. Speiman, Division Engineer.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Bureau of Reclamation. Sealed bids (Specifications No. 2933) will be received by Bureau of Reclamation, Coulee Dam, Washington, March 30, 1950, and then publicly opened for furnishing labor and materials and performing all work for the construction of extension of right switchyard for Grand Coulee Power Plant at Grand Coulee Dam, Columbia Basin Project, Washington. The work is situated at Coulee Dam, Washington. Principal items are approximately: 13,000 cu. yds., excavation; 1,000 cu. yds., concrete; erecting 195,000 lbs. structural steel for switchyard; and other work. Time allowed for completion will be 240 days. For particulars, address Bureau of Reclamation, Coulee Dam, Washington; or Building I-A, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado.

MICHAEL W. STRAUS, Commissioner.

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New Jersey Turnpike Authority

Sealed proposals will be received by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority for:

CONTRACT NOS. 14, 14A and 14B

The work performed under these Contracts involves the construction of twenty piers, one abutment and their foundations for the South Approach, and twenty-five piers, one abutment and their foundations for the North Approach, and other incidental work in connection with the construction of the Passaic River Bridge which will form part of the New Jersey Turnpike, in the City of Newark, Essex County and in the Town of Kearny in Hudson County respectively.

Principal items of work for Contracts Nos. 14A and 14B include:

	Contract No. 14A	Contract No. 14B
Construction roads	36,000 cu.yds.	65,000 cu.yds.
Open foundation excavation	13,000 cu.yds.	47,500 cu.yds.
Furnishing steel piles	6,000,000 lbs.	14,700,000 lbs.
Driving steel piles	72,500 lin.ft.	187,000 lin.ft.
Pile coating	34,400 lin.ft.	5,100 lin.ft.
Concrete encasement of steel piles	2,200 lin.ft.	
Concrete in pile caps, piers and abutment	13,910 cu.yds.	21,810 cu.yds
Reinforcement steel	1,500,000 lbs.	2,100,000 lbs.
Protection of railroad traffic	lump sum	lump sum
Protection of public service property	lump sum	

Principal items of work for Contract No. 14 equals the sum of the quantities listed for Contracts Nos. 14A and 14B.

Proposals will be received at the office of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, 65 Prospect Street, Trenton 8, New Jersey, until 10:30 o'clock on the morning of March 23, 1950, and thereafter in the Veterans Room of the War Memorial Building, Memorial Drive at Willow Street, Trenton, New Jersey until 11.00 A.M. on the same date, at which latter time and place said proposals will be publicly opened and read.

The receipt and opening of proposals is subject to proper prequalification of the bidder in accordance with the regulations adopted by the New Jersey Turnpike Authority. Bidders must also submit with their proposal a revised financial statement and a statement of plan and equipment. Contract documents may be seen, and may be inspected by prospective bidders during office hours, after March 2, 1950 at the office of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, 65 Prospect Street, Trenton 8, New Jersey and at the office of the Engineers, Ammann and Whitney, 210 Market Street, Newark, New Jersey, or 76 Ninth Avenue, New York 11, New York.

Contract documents will be furnished for $5.00 for each set, upon application to the Authority. The payment will not be refunded and Contract documents are not required to be returned.

Proposals must be made upon the standard proposal forms in the manner designated in the Standard Specifications for construction of the New Jersey Turnpike, and must be enclosed in sealed special addressed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder and the number of the Contract on the outside, and must be accompanied by a *certified check* drawn to the order of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority *and a proposal bond, each for not less than five (5) percent of the amount of the proposal*, but not less than $500.00 nor more than $200,000.00, and must be delivered with proposals at the above place on or before the hour named. Where proposals are submitted for more than one contract, *each proposal* must be accompanied by a certified check and a proposal bond in the required amount. Copies of the proposal form to be used for submitting proposals, of the form for proposal bond, of the form to be used for financial statement and plan and equipment statement to be submitted with proposal, and of special addressed envelope are furnished in detached form with the Contract Documents. Bidders submitting proposals on combination of Contracts Nos. 14A and 14B are required to submit only *one* statement of plan and equipment.

The Contracts will be awarded or proposals rejected within thirty (30) days from the date of opening proposals. The right is reserved to reject any or all proposals.

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Bids: March 29, 1950 (629)

State Road Work

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, ALBANY, N. Y.—Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 63 Laws of 1936, as amended, sealed proposals will be received until ten-thirty o'clock A.M., eastern standard time on March 29, 1950 by Henry A. Cohen, Director, Bureau of Contracts & Accounts, 14th Floor, The Governor Alfred E. Smith State Office Building, Albany, N. Y., for the following projects: Maps, plans, specifications and proposal forms may be seen and obtained at the office of the State Department of Public Works, Bureau of Contracts & Accounts, Albany, N. Y., and at the office of the District Engineers noted below, and may also be seen at the office of the State Department of Public Works, 270 Broadway, New York City.

The deposit for plans and proposal forms for each contract containing 1 to 15 sheets is $5.00; 16 to 30 sheets, $10.00; over 30 sheets, $20.00. A refund will be made in full to bidders for the return of one set in good condition within 30 days of award or rejection of bids; refund for all other sets in good condition, similar period, will be 50% of deposit.

County	Contract No.	Name	Miles	Type	Deposit	Estimated Cost of Work
		DISTRICT NO. 4 A. R. Mulligan, Dist. Engr., Barge Canal Terminal, Rochester, N. Y.				
Monroe	LOSP 50-1F	Lake Ontario State Parkway, Sect A	4.36	8" Cem. Conc. Pvmt. 2 at 24' Wide; Altering Existing 36'4" Rigid Frame	$58,000 Plans $20	$1,061,000
		DISTRICT NO. 6 H. F. Brown, Dist. Engr., 30 West Main St., Hornell, N. Y.				
Steuben	PSC 9418	Elimination of Grade Crossings of the Erie R. R. and The D. L. & W. R. R., with various Streets and the N. Y. C. R. R. in the City of Corning	8.20	Relocating R. R. Tracks; Paving Streets With Cement Conc. Pvmt. and Asphalt Conc. Opt., Including 20 R. R. Bridge Structures; 3 Pedestrian Subways; 2 Highway Bridge Structures and Incidental Drainage and Misc. Work	$500,000 Plans $100	$3,707,155
		DISTRICT NO. 8 J. S. Berry, Dist. Engr., Pleasant Valley Rd., Poughkeepsie, N. Y.				
Columbia	RC50-8	9087 Hudson-Brick Tavern Ghent	0.44	8" Cement Concrete Pvmt. 24' Wide. Alpha I-Beam 5 Spans 50'-3" Each. Alpha = $406.	$13,000 Plans $5	$238,000
Westchester	SH 50-2	Port Chester Village: Hillside Ave. & Connection to S. H. 5662	0.10	Asph. Conc. Opt. on Conc. Foundation	$1,600 Plans $5	$30,000

Proposal for each contract must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope with the name and number of the contract plainly endorsed on the outside of the envelope. Each proposal must be accompanied by cash, draft or certified check payable to the order of "State of New York, Commissioner of Taxation & Finance" for the sum as specified in the advertisement and the proposal. The retention and disposal of the bidding check, the execution of the contract and bonds shall conform to the provisions of the Highway Law, as set forth in "Instructions to Bidders".

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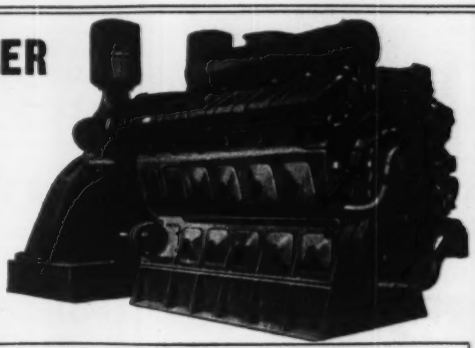

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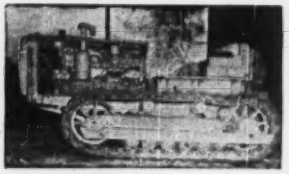

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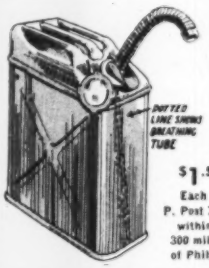

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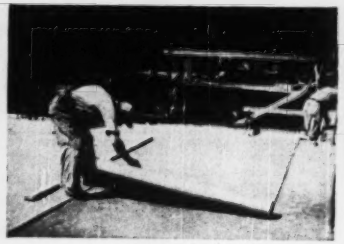

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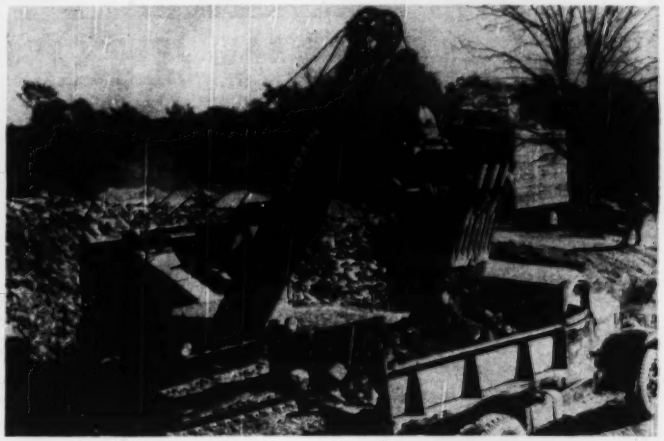

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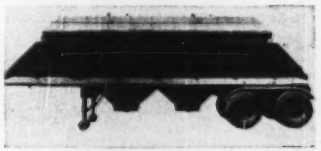

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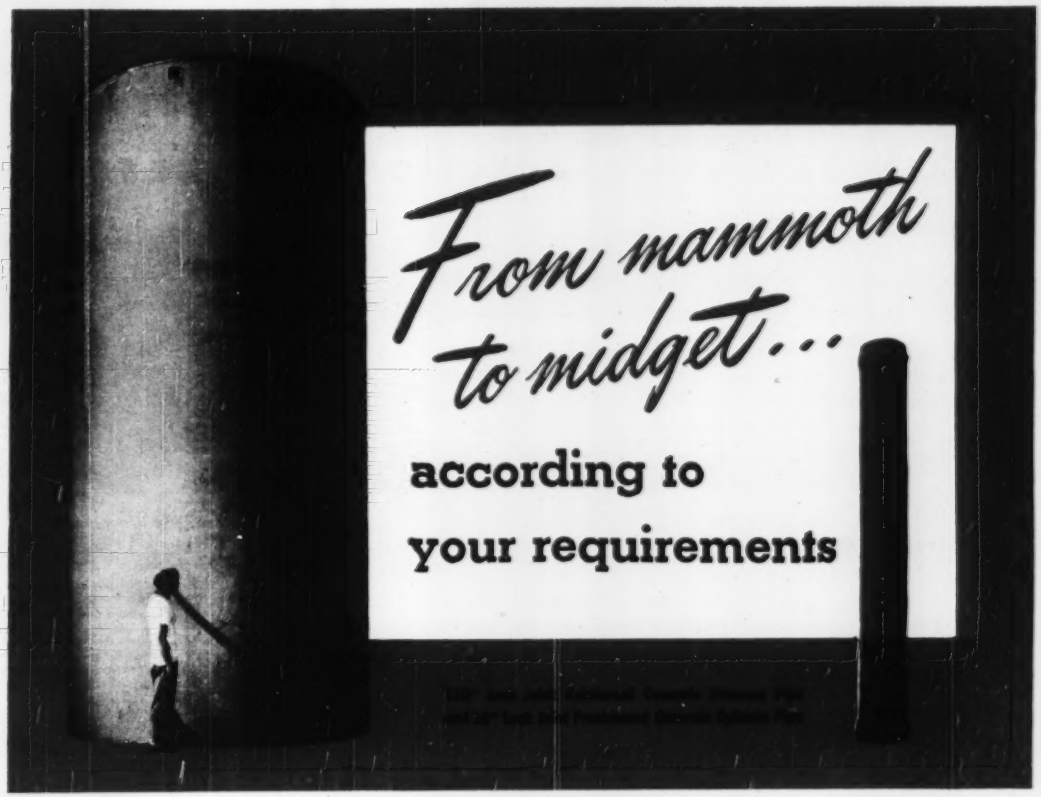

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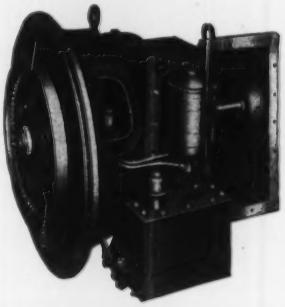

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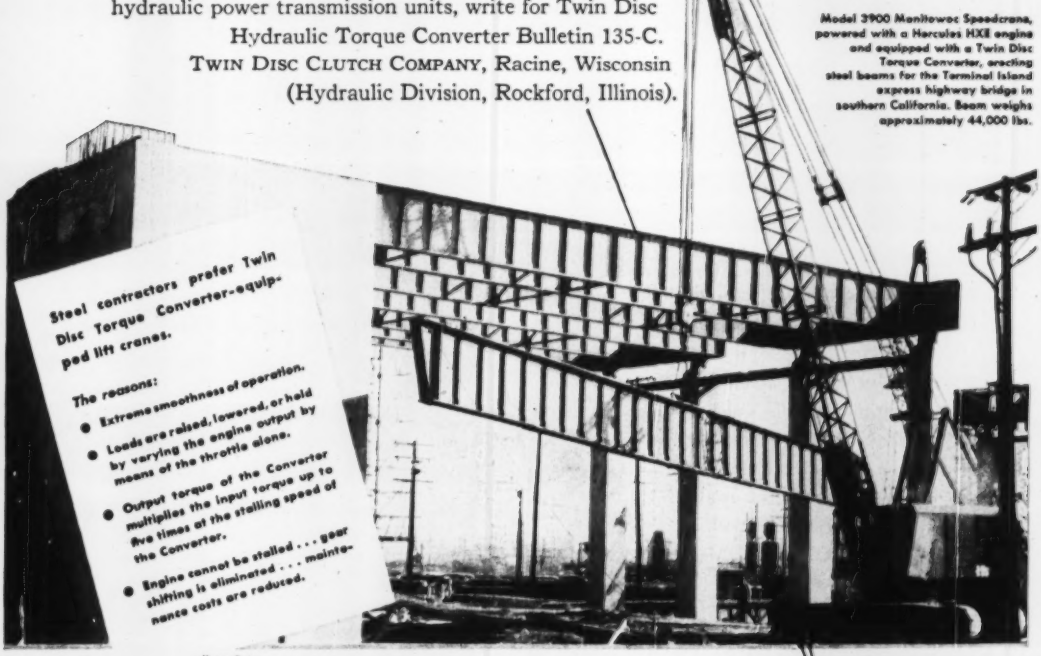

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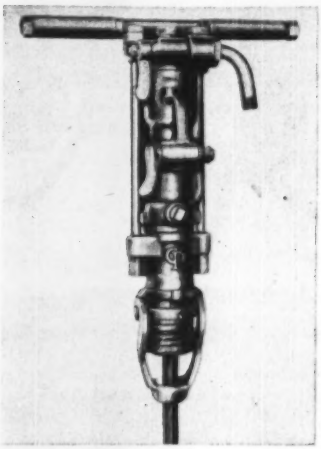

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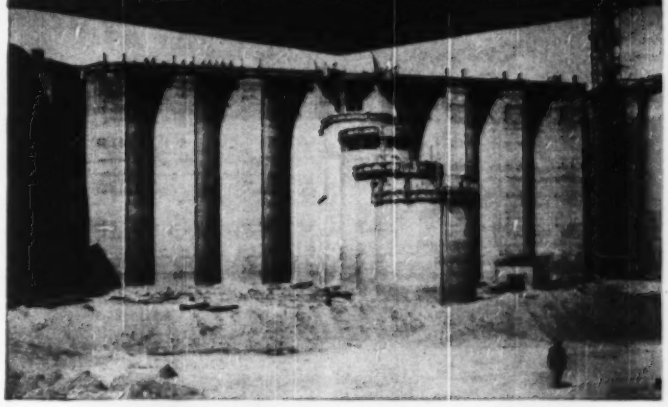

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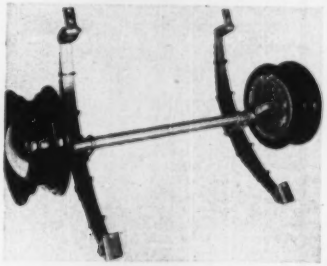

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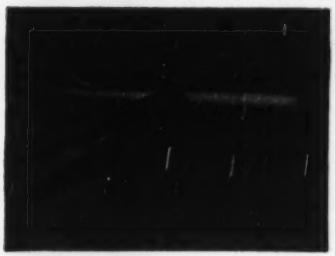

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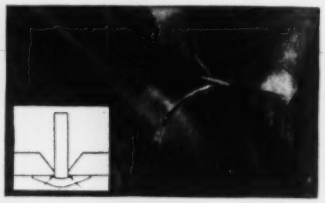

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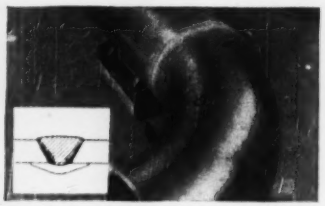

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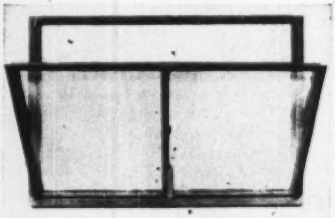

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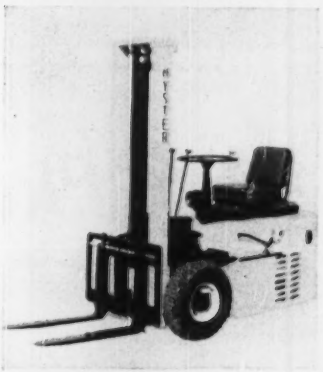

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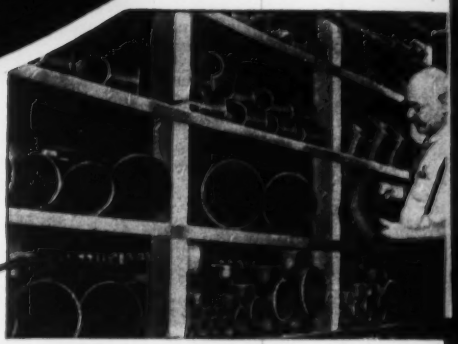

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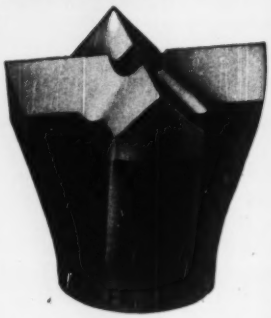

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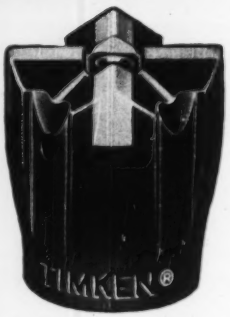

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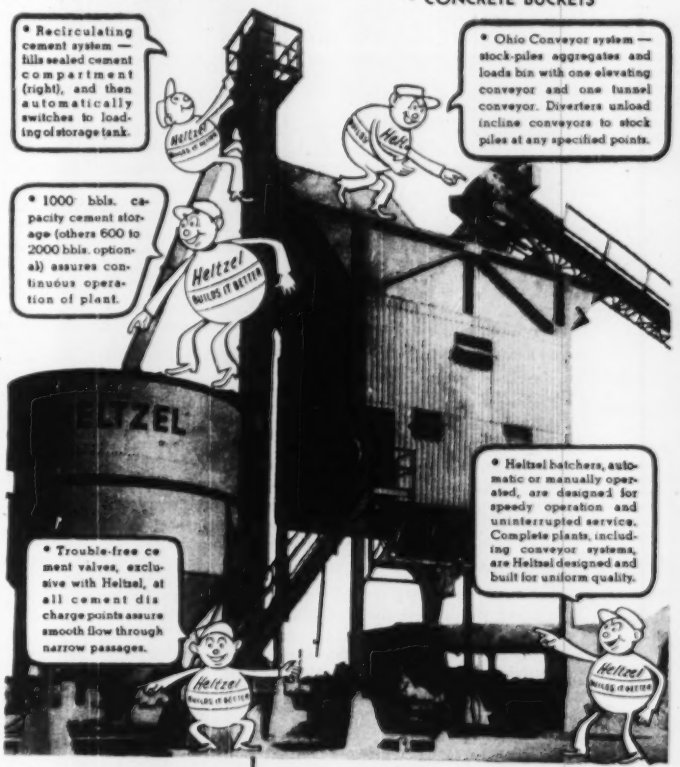
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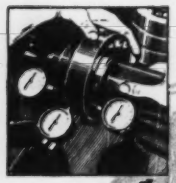

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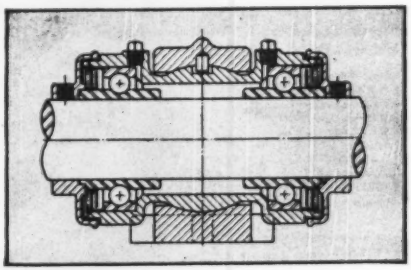

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General at work

A supervisory engineering job on a port at Zonguldak, Turkey, is only an evolutionary step for a company that started out to build coke ovens, 42 years. Its a step prompted by a sort of hard-headed sentimentalism — but evolutionary just the same.

At least, that's how it looks to executives of the Koppers Company Inc., of Pittsburgh, and to its hard-driving leader, four-star General Brehon Somervell, late of the Army's Service of Supply and Corps of Engineers.

But you don't go from Heinrich Kopper's first coke ovens at Joliet, Ill., in 1908, to Zonguldak—or even to a $70,000,000 steel mill for Pacific Steel Co. in Chile—in one jump. And to see what a general can do, you don't start at the end of the story, either.

From German-born Dr. Koppers' first patents on coke ovens, the company grew in somewhat ungainly bounds. It made side-excursions into related problems. It built up a loose organization that now produces a line of 226 products which spans the alphabet from Acenapthene through to Xylol.

• **Coal is key**—If somewhat awkward, the growth was always logical, and the keystone was always coal.

It's simple enough: You start with a patented coke-oven to convert coal to hot-burning coke for steelmaking. The oven gives you certain residue—tar—which poses a disposal problem. So you get your chemists to work and they come up with creosote.

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In the course of this, you get into some odd places. So today, for instance, Koppers is making things like gas machinery, roofing materials, metal doors and parts for coke ovens—all of which are a long way from (though they still have a distinct tie to) handling coal.

• **Enter Somervell**—Into this welter of detail and product, in 1947, stepped Somervell, fresh from 33 years with the Army's Corps of Engineers, wartime service as head of the Services of Supply—whose motto "The difficult we do at once; the impossible takes a little longer" had become a by-word.

The first job seemed clear enough: Organization of the loosely tied company into a sense-making whole, with an over-riding top command.

Result: Six operating divisions (which constitute "the line") doing actual production and distribution; a "staff" composed of the non-operating departments—public relations, finance, law.

It's looser by far than a military command—but it has achieved unified control and operation. (See Box, p. 12 for more on this.)

• **Engineering work**—Over its whole history, the company has engaged in a "customer service" sort of engineering. It started out by designing ovens, then found it could do better at building them than could general contractors. Since it dealt with coal, its engineers became very familiar with mining and processing; because its ovens were the heart of the steelmaking process, the engineers had to know all about steel plants. Railroads supply steel mills—Koppers engineers had to know about trackage and bridges and ties. Coal is shipped by barge and boat—so Koppers learned about wharfage and dock construction.

For many years, then, Koppers built up an extensive engineering organization, to the point where it can and does offer a "packaged" engineering service. On request, it will design a steel mill, a gas utility, coal handling processes, chemical plant, build them, and turn them over in operating condition.

• **On to Zonguldak**—By 1949, the engineering division had reached a total of about 500 employees, and it could build anything up to and including major plant office buildings.

In that year, the government of Turkey decided to do something about its port of Zonguldak, on the Black Sea—a major shipping point for Turkish coal, but a sorry excuse for a harbor. Open to the prevailing winds, protected by a relatively tiny breakwater, with few facilities for ships, the port could be made into something, engineers said, for perhaps $50,000,000.

The Turks, with very incomplete data, took bids on harbor and mine developments. But everyone was bidding on his own plan and the bids weren't comparable. So, on the recommendation of Frederick Snare Corp., of New York (engaged to review the bids) the Turks rejected them all, paid for them, combined their best features into a much more specific "package" and asked bids again. A contract for about $9,000,000 has been awarded the Dutch firm of Netherlands Harborwork Co. Other bids are now being taken. Paul Weir Co., of Chicago, has been engaged to consult on the mechanical and mine work; Snare has been engaged on the harbor work.

The Turks remembered that, in 1936-1937, a Lieutenant Colonel Brehon B. Somervell had made an extensive economic survey of their country at the behest of the late president Mustafa Kemal.

They asked him to bid on the supervisory work—and he turned them down. But, at the insistence of the Turkish government, he sent Gen. T. M. Osborne to look over the job. "As long as he was there," says the Koppers boss, "we put in a bid—and we got the job."

This was a definite departure. This is no "package job" of building a steel mill or a processing plant. With Maj. Gen. J. C. Mehaffey (not long ago governor of the Panama Canal Zone) as its representative on the scene, Koppers will act as executive and supervisor for the Turkish government monopoly that controls the port; it will do all the inspections, see to it that proper materials and equipment are used; schedule the work.

Of course, the keystone is there —Zonguldak is a coal port.

Why did Koppers take the job? Well, there's some sentiment in it. "But not much," says Somervell. "Hell, we get paid for it."

Does it mean that Koppers step out into the consulting field or general construction business?

"No," says Somervell, flatly. "We aren't going into the consulting field, nor the construction business, except where we're particularly fitted for it. In the main, that's in the field of coal."

It could be a move toward further diversification, but in the view of the company president, it's hard-headed business. "We'll go after business where we can and should," but we'll stick to our last."

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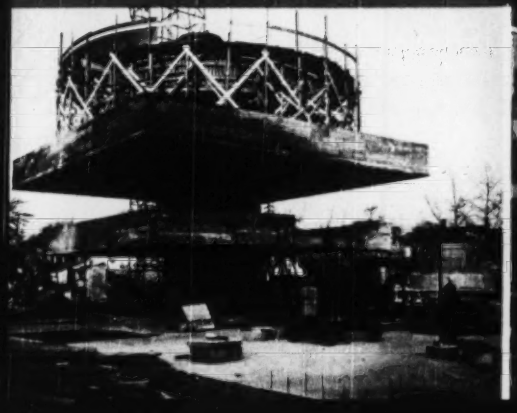

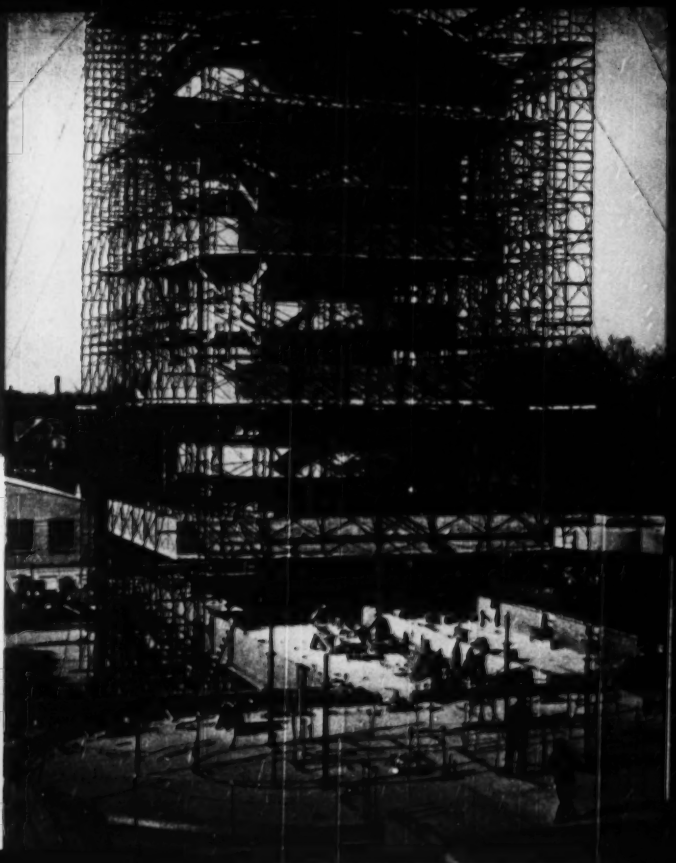

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